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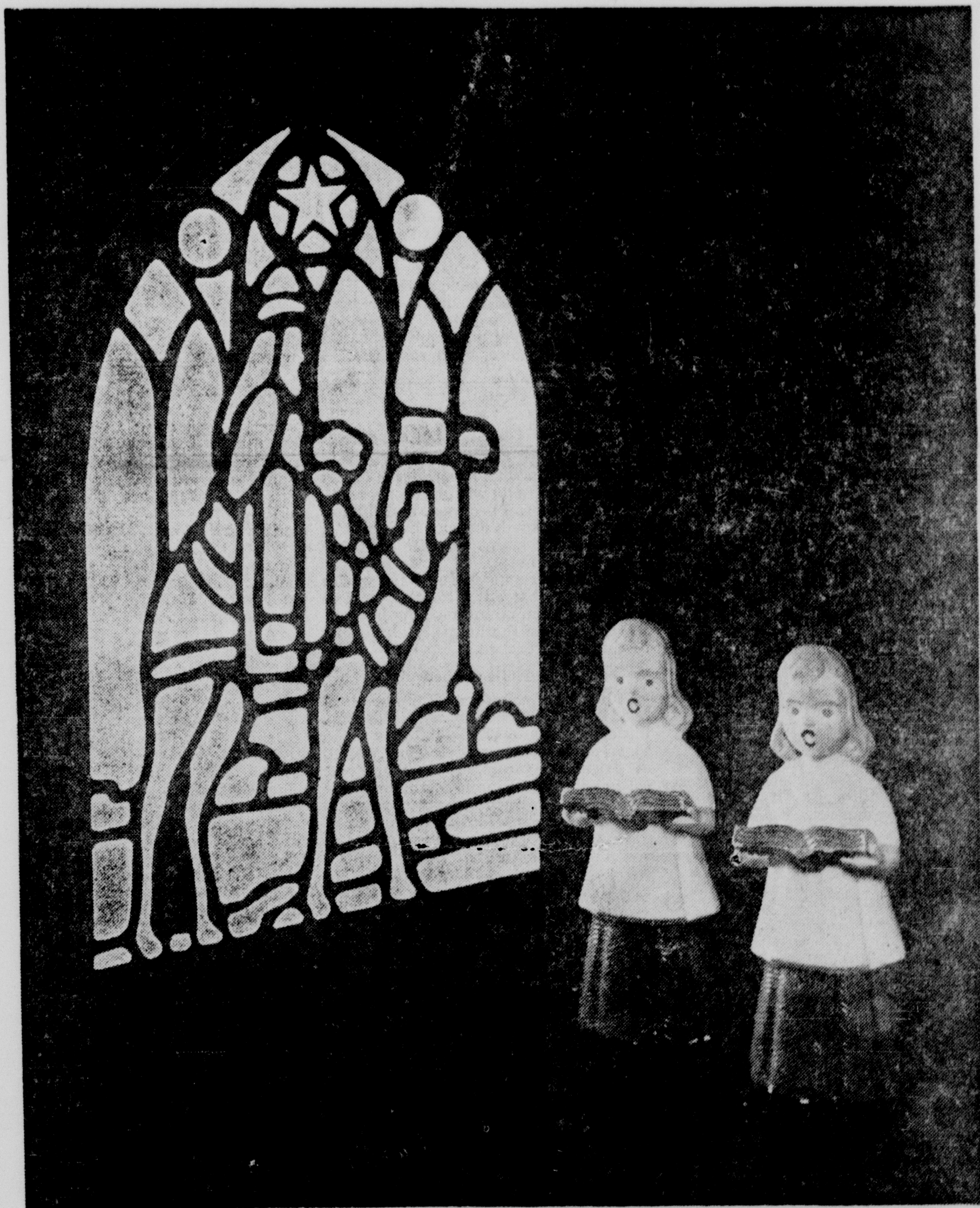
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Merry Christmas



SILENT NIGHT

Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother
and Child!
Holy Infant, so tender and
mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the
sight!
Glories stream from Heaven
afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia,
Christ, the Saviour, is born!
Christ, the Saviour, is born!

Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy
holy face,
With the dawn of redeem-
ing grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,

CHRISTMAS EVE on a Hospital Ship at Sea

(Capt. Frederick A. Jostes USNR, of St. Louis Mo., who wrote the accompanying story for the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, entered the armed service as head of a medical specialists unit. Formerly he had been director and chief surgeon of the Missouri State Crippled Children's Service).

By CAPT. FREDERICK A. JOSTES

THIS is the story of the young marine who lost one hand and most of the fingers on the other when a Japanese soldier tossed a hand grenade back at him. The grenade exploded as it left the marine's hands for second time.

He was with us at sea last Christmas. For days he was not happy; his future as he saw it was almost black. He was facing the realization of home.

He seemed to be making a great effort to adjust himself, but got nowhere. On the evening of December 22 I found him sitting in his cabin in the semi-darkness of the red glow of blackout lights, weeping quietly to himself. "It is almost Christmas," he said; "I am used to doing things with my hands for Christmas. We were all taught how to trim a tree well and how to decorate the house. We all made things for one another. What can I do now? There will be no Christmas on this ship for us."

Then I told him quietly of our plans for Christmas and told him that I needed his help; that we would keep it a secret so that the other wounded would have the beautiful surprise and uncertainty of the Christmases of their youth.

There was little he could do with one hand, with only thumb and third finger left, but he helped me make selections of things from my trunk in the way of toilet articles, bits of candy, cigarettes, etc., I was going to wrap in gay red and green and white paper and gold and silver ribbons which I had

hurriedly bought months before when I realized that Christmas might find us at sea and unprepared.

Hundreds of Packages

I did not tell him about the hundreds of small packages which Red Cross gave our chaplain on a last-minute call when we realized that we might have wounded as well as a crew aboard for Christmas. Each of these packages contained an exciting game, a bright handkerchief, some notepaper, a pencil, a miniature volume of a good book, a package of cigarettes, a bar of candy and a Christmas greeting card.

At the time I bought the colored paper and ribbons I also bought a small artificial tree and some no-n-breakable ornaments, a string of lights and some old-fashioned Bavarian paper creches similar to those which were the magic of my youth—the kind that, when adjusted, lend life and depth to the story of the Child in the manger. I remember I had given my "aunt," Mrs. Lille Bell Bassett, the time of her life helping me to buy these things during the last half hour I had before sailing from the port where she was living. I had offered as an excuse for the hurried purchases the fact that I had



CAPT. FREDERICK A. JOSTES.

the duty watch. I showed all of these purchases to our marine and warned him he must help me put them to the best possible use. It was such a joy to see how he went about trying to find the most advantageous use for what little I had to offer. I told him of the plans for the Christmas party in the mess halls for everybody on the ship except those who were on watch, and that even those on watch would have relief for a short time at least.

Plan Is Outlined

I told him of how we planned to carry all the stretcher case patients to the mess hall and give them the choice seats by placing their stretchers on the mess tables. From there they could see the movie screen, the large Christmas tree, the speakers' stand. This would give them a good view of everything that went on.

Soon he took on a new life.

On December 24 I appointed him to go about and spread the news of the party to all the stretcher cases—and there were hundreds—asking him to urge all of them to come to the party. As a wounded man, he could do more to arouse interest than we could. All were in a receptive mood, for all said they would attend, even those who were requiring 24-hour-a-day bedside care... some who did not know it, but whom we could count lucky if they lived until we reached port.

A Different Party

While I hoped that all would be present for a grand family party, deep down I knew that in spite of heroic effort some would never make the grade. The devastating afternoon temperature took its toll. At 4 o'clock 10 men could not be moved. For them we had prepared a different kind of party, a bit of a surprise.

Again in the darkness of the red glow of the blackout lights we crept around the ship carrying on a portable surgical dressing table my three-foot artificial Christmas tree. My electrician's mate would steal quietly into each cabin, having located the light socket in advance, and as soon as our carolers, made up of four officers and four enlisted men, began to sing, "Silent Night," the electrician's mate would stand, as if by magic, a blazing Christmas tree in all its fascinating colors and twinkling stars of light. As sick as they were, each man did his

best to smile, even though many times it was through uncontrollable tears. For those of us who stood by, singing was sometimes difficult, too.

Practiced Secretly

The carolers, who had practiced secretly in the library for days in advance, assembled on Christmas Eve on A deck forward and sang "Silent Night, Holy Night" to the ship's officers quartered on that deck. Then we wound our way up the ladders and through narrow deck passageways top-

cabins of the 10 desperately sick men, which took us all over the ship from sick officers cabins on A deck aft to prom deck to B deck portside and to the ship's company sick bay on C deck starboard forward. We had sung "Silent Night" here; "Noel, Noel," there; "We Three Kings," to Bill, and "Adeste Fidelis" to little Joe; "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" to Vitali, the lad whose mother and father still lived in Italy; "Away in a Manger" we sang to the Swedish boy whose legs were held fast in plaster casts and whose bones were badly infected.

Later my fine marine with two fingers came to me that evening and declared: "It would be nice if you would give little Joe one of those small paper cribs—I have been talking with him."

"It's a funny Christmas," remarked Joe. "Instead of looking at the Child in the crib, I can only look at the crucifix on my rosary."

Secretly I had planned to give Joe one of my precious creches, and I did, realizing only too well that that would be the last creche he would see and enjoy. He, too, was a young soldier, 20 years old, a member of the Hospital Corps who was shot down by Japanese snipers as he helped carry a stretcher case back and hopelessly paralyzed from the chest down.

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"In the red glow of the blackout lights we crept around the ship carrying my artificial Christmas tree."

side to the boat deck and to the dark foyer before the skipper's cabin. The marine orderly stood rigidly at attention, as did the captain's negro steward.

10 Desperately Sick

We had completed the rounds of the

NATIVE Pecan Tree 24 Feet Circumference

By B. F. HINES

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AT Christmas time our thoughts turn to trees, especially evergreen trees, but all trees are interesting and none more so than pecan trees. Texas is noted for its prolific growth of native and cultivated pecan trees, and Texas leads all States in pecan production. Next to Texas in pecan output is Oklahoma.

The largest native pecan tree in the world is said to be in Texas. It is the Jumbo Hollis, near Bend, in San Saba county. This tree stands 120 feet high, as tall as a ten-story office building. It has a 24-foot circumference, measured four and one-half feet above the ground. This monarch of the forest has a 100-foot branch spread, and a clear length of 41 feet to the first limb.

When the first white explorers pushed up the Colorado river, they rested under the spreading boughs of this tree, ate its big fine nuts and marveled at its huge size. Generations before them, nomadic tribes of Indians camped under the tree and left arrowheads and other signs of their presence.

There are other big pecan trees in Texas, but they are merely runners-up compared with the Jumbo Hollis which is owned by Mrs. Hassie Morris, of Bend, San Saba county.

Buds Are Grafted On Other Pecan Trees

As early as 1910 buds from the Jumbo Hollis tree were sent all over the South and used for grafting onto other pecan trees. The nuts from this tree are round, large, well-filled and have a rich and tasty flavor. Thirty-three pecans from the tree usually weigh one pound.

In a history of San Saba county, written by Mrs. Lawrence Hamrick, the tree was described as follows: "Standing on the banks of the Colorado river at Bend is the world's largest pecan tree, the Jumbo Hollis. It is located on the property of Mrs. Hassie Morris. In 1919 it produced 1,015 pounds of nuts and for several years has reached close to this number of pounds. Mrs. Morris has been paid as much as \$1.00 per pound for these nuts."

The historian might have added that in 1910 a shipment of pecans from the Jumbo Hollis was sent to the Queen

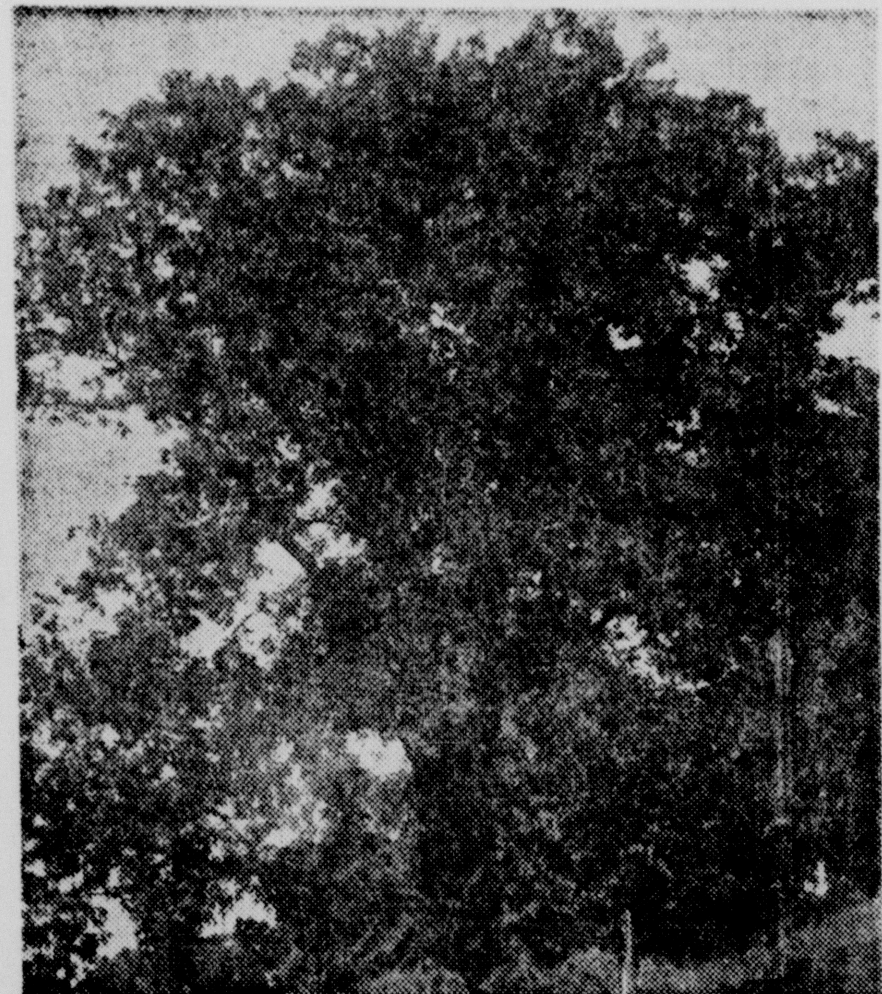
of England who wrote the owner a letter of appreciation in which she praised the splendid quality of the nuts.

The farm upon which this tree stands was bought long ago by the late Phil B. McCoury who willed it to his daughter, Mrs. Hassie Morris, the present owner, and she still lives there.

Tree Big Pecan Producer

The tree always has been a big producer. Eight hundred and sixty pounds of nuts were gathered from the tree in 1915, and they were sold for 30 cents a pound, bringing the owner \$258. This year the Hollis pecans sold for 35 cents a pound.

San Saba county, on the northeast border of the Edwards Plateau in Southwest Central Texas, from earliest days has been noted for its pecan production. The San Saba river bottom



—Photo by W. W. Mitchell, San Saba, Texas.

Jumbo Hollis, reported largest native pecan tree in the world. Circumference 24 feet, height 120 feet. This fine native tree, recently damaged by storm, lost several large limbs and part of its top.

is lined from head to mouth with native pecan trees, and is the heaviest native pecan producing area in the State.

J. H. Burkett, director of the pecan division of the State Department of Agriculture, says it was in San Saba county that the first effort to top-work (bud) a native pecan tree was successfully accomplished. The county has been the focal center of pecan improvement in Texas. The Jumbo Hollis pecans now are produced throughout the South from buddings of this one tree.

There is no certain way to find out the age of Jumbo Hollis without boring into the tree to ascertain its number of rings and this might kill the tree. San Saba citizens assert that the tree is "centuries old." When the first white man saw it the Jumbo was an old tree.

Thrived in Remote Geologic Times Well drillers in the San Saba Valley, (Continued on Page 4, column 5)

YULETIDE THOUGHTS of the Little Christ Child

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

BOSTON GLOBE (The Bell Syndicate)

CHRISTMAS seems to me this year quite different from all the other Christmases I ever have known. We shall have gifts, holly and the tree, roaring open fires, and all the family gathered for the feast. It has always meant special music and special services at church, and—of later years especially, much serious wondering thought of the little Christ Child whose life was to be the most important ever lived by man.

I have marveled anew every year over the facts of the Saviour's life; the poverty and obscurity, the complete unimportance of all His associates, even of His persecutors, the strange teaching that was received by a few poor peasants, and the death of a common criminal that they made of Him.

Strange teaching indeed. It contradicted everything that men had ever believed. It discounted force and hate. It voiced the incredible doctrine that love was the only power, and that love fulfilled all the laws of Heaven and earth. They didn't believe Him, and they killed Him, and His forlorn obscure followers faced the great warring world of that day, and of the new worlds and the expanded days to come, with just a few quoted precepts as their heritage.

And that heritage grew and spread and thundered down the ages and reached unknown countries and unborn peoples—O, yes, polluted and twisted and misinterpreted and betrayed sometimes, it is true, but still the doctrine of forgiveness and brotherhood of man. Human weakness delayed it, but nothing could kill it, because it is the truth.

So much we all know, so much we all feel, at Christmas time.

Our Debt to Christianity

But—like a window opening to sudden new light, it has come to me in these terrible past years of war that we owe Christianity a tremendous debt over and above the spiritual value it gives us. That Christianity, and the passionate love it awakened in men's heart, is the actual ark of civilization, and that it ought to be fostered as a

sacred possession by everyone who hope for a new world, believer or non-believer.

The great Hebrew religion, from which the life of Christ was derived, did more than build temples. It built libraries, schools, hospitals, churches, colleges; it laid down a public and a domestic law. What other element ever did? These things do not exist in Oriental countries, where the great masses of the people even today live and die in squalor and superstition.

They do not build cities, railways, bridges, roads. The Orient is almost without these things, as it is without modern conveniences, sewers, tele-

phones, paving, electric lights, etc. I have seen swarming dark communities, hundreds of them, in India and China, into which no one of these things ever had been introduced; where the compounds are icy puddles for eight months a year, and even such simple luxuries as a gas stove or bureau, a change of shoes or a potato had actually never been seen.

Faith Built Cathedrals

It began, of course, with the brotherhood of the early church, with the sharing of bread and wine. It went on to those early documents, to that wealth of priceless paintings, to the great cathedrals that simple men built for love of Him. Even today our painters do not rival those early expressions of love and devotion to the Madonna and her Baby; even today our architects marvel at the beauty of Chartres Cathedral and Canterbury and Rheims. Faith built all these; faith inspired the great musical compositions, and the chorals and requiems, and afterward the secular world took hold of these patterns and gave us all we know of modern art and music.

It may be now that, since the war is over, we shall have to begin all over again; in a stable with a Baby; begin with forgiveness and brotherhood, begin to realize that not only do His churches carry His name down the ages to us today, but that every other good and wise and beneficent thing we have all stem from that one life. If this could be brought home to our children, this incalculable debt that they owe to Jesus Christ, whose birthday we celebrate this Christmas, it might solve some of the great problems that we mothers face. It may even solve the atomic bomb problem. Civilization will increase only when we get back as close as we can to the law that tells us that by this shall we be known as Christ's followers, that we love one another. That love fulfills the law. That He is the way and the truth and the light. That ye shall have only to seek ye shall find Him.



IF THIS COULD BE BROUGHT HOME This incalculable debt that they owe to Jesus Christ, whose birthday we celebrate this year, it might solve some of the great problems we mothers face.

Extraordinary as it would be to state



Memory of Gallant Men

THIS Christmas there will be the dark shadow of tragedy on many homes. Husbands and sons went forth to war never to return. They have made to their country the greatest and most costly gift man can make—their lives. All the gifts which we make or which we may receive are as nothing when weighed in the balance against their gift. Bells will ring and candles will gleam and little children will be glad; there will be festivity in our houses, for we must keep Christmas—it is a holy time. Our spirits are tenderer than at any other time in the year.

We must keep Christmas. The dead would not have it otherwise. But let us not forget them and in our prayers for our own households there should be a more ardent prayer that those who sorrow may find comfort. Let us, too, thank the Giver of all good and perfect gifts that He has enriched us by the memory of all these gallant men, who beyond our sight in the unknown land of everlasting light have found peace and rest.



Christmas Eve, 1945

At its best Christmas Eve is a night when the lights burn a little brighter along the crowded streets; when shop windows are everywhere vivid with red and green, and the last dark cedars stand ranked on the sidewalk awaiting a purchaser and bringing an aromatic breath of the forest to the town and city. The snow may sift down; the air be still, clear and cold—but the spirit of Christmas Eve is impervious to the weather. There is a heartier tone in the greetings of friends, and even strangers smile and exchange good wishes. The lights of home shine out through windows hung with wreaths, and within there is a great bustle of preparation—the wrapping of multi-colored packages, the setting forth of cakes and candies, the filling of stockings and, climax of the ritual, the trimming of the tree. There is noise and happy confusion, great pretense of secretiveness about gifts; music fills the air as the old carols come from singers, who sing with the spirit of Christmas in churches decked with evergreen and holly, the happy story of the first Christmas as told in familiar songs and cherished words.—New York Herald-Tribune.

The Nation's Christmas Tree

The United States takes pride in several factors linking us closely with the great Yuletide holiday. The evergreen, whose perpetually green leaves are the

symbol of undying faith and life, abounds in this land. The oldest of the species in the world—the Sequoia trees—grow in California, and one of the most famous of these is the General Grant Tree which stands in the national park of the same name. Sequoias are the oldest living things on earth. Experts declare the age of the General Grant Tree to be between 3,000 and 4,000 years. It was flourishing hundreds of years before Christ was born.

The General Grant is known as the Nation's Christmas Tree and each Christmas Day since 1926 services have been conducted at the base of the giant Sequoia.

Also we have the largest tree to be trimmed each year. It is a 70-foot oak in Wilmington, North Carolina, where the climate keeps the tree green over Yuletide. The community makes a festive of decorating it and singing carols.

Then each Christmas the bell in St. Miguel Church, in Santa Fe, New Mexico, is rung. The bell weighs 780 pounds and bears the date of 1356. It was cast in Spain of copper, iron, silver and gold to the thickness of four inches, and brought to this country in 1712.

American Soldiers at Bethlehem Manger

Last year on the Sixth Christmas of the greatest conflict the world has known more than 500 American warriors gathered to celebrate the birth of the Prince of Peace at the Bethlehem manger, where it occurred.

They started coming in by plane fresh from the mud and gore of the battlefields in France, Germany and Italy, from North Africa, from stations in the Middle East and from the bleak coast of the Persian Gulf.

There weren't many officers among these pilgrims. Most of them were just plain GIs—winging in from scenes of violent death to honor the One who promised eternal life.

They followed the winding road to Bethlehem soon after their arrival in Jerusalem, for they were eager to see "the place." In the Church of the Nativity they descended a short flight of stone steps and shown the exact spot where the manger stood.

A bright metal star inlaid in rock marks the place.

Many attended the midnight mass in the Church of St. Catherine, the Roman Catholic Church adjoining the Church of the Nativity, which is the common property of Roman, Greek and Armenian churches. They heard the Christmas hymns sung by a choir of 2,000 Polish Army men and the Bethlehem bells and an American choir inside

the church broadcasting to the world. They came, not for a riotous weekend, but to observe a ceremony at the place where peace on earth and good will toward men was heralded to the world.

Santa Claus Stresses Holiday Safety

"Stay alive in '45" is a holiday message that Santa Claus has delivered to the National Safety Council. Most of the message is devoted to a warning against fire hazards from holiday decorations.

Santa doesn't want any deaths or injuries, always more tragic at holiday time, in that big bag of gifts he'll be totting this year.

Said Santa:

"I am counting on all peoples to observe safety rules during the holidays. Please remind them to—

"Use only fireproof decorations.

"Check all electric lights and wires.

"Keep all lighted candles away from curtains.

"Be sure that the Christmas tree is in a firm stand and not placed in a doorway or near a stove or fireplace.

"Pick up all wrapping paper immediately and save for the paper salvage collection.

"I have tried to select safe gifts and toys for everybody, so please see that they are used safely.

"A Merry Christmas to all, and remember—Stay alive in '45."

Army Report On Discharged Men

The Army reports that 3,114,000 of the 8,300,000 men in the Army when the European war ended have already been discharged. Navy, marine and coast guard discharges bring the grand total to 3,950,000. The Navy has released 670,132, the Marine Corps, 107,389 and the Coast Guard 52,623. Discharges now are running at the rate of more than a million men a month.

The Navy point score for discharge for enlisted men dropped from 41 to 38 December 1. It will go down to 37 December 15 and to 36 January 1, 1946.

Motorists Warned On Winter Hazards

Regardless of mild or severe weather this winter will bring the most perilous conditions in the history of motoring, Carroll E. Mealey, director for the Eastern region of the National Safety Council, said.

He warned that adverse factors in winter driving had reached a new peak and might increase before next spring. Only the utmost caution exercised by motorists can avert a ghastly toll of death and injury, he added.

"The over-all situation is abnormal even when compared with 1944," he said. "Due to lack of maintenance and replacement the average highway has deteriorated 10 per cent and the motor

vehicle at least 30 per cent, which means both are about 40 per cent off standard. Add to this summary the menace presented by thousands of cars now in service which should have been in the junk piles long since.

"The upswing in traffic due to the free flow of gasoline and the worn tires are major hazards which will contribute a percentage to each of the rest of the dangers that confront drivers. I am alarmed at the tendency to speed prevailing in many areas. If this condition is carried into the winter I shudder to speculate on results during the coming months."

Food Prices

OPA promises a new drive to keep food prices in line, now that sugar alone remains on the rationing list. There will be price chiseling, since all meats, butter, fats, and cooking oils are point free. The worst trouble will come in parts of the country which are remote from centers that produce these food-stuffs.

And for some time there will be local shortages in butter, fats and oils. OPA intends to "crack down" on merchants who boost the prices of these items above the legal ceilings.

Sugar, incidentally, may stay on the ration list for some time along with automobile tires. These two are the only items remaining in the ration point system set up early in the war.

The fats salvage program sponsored by the government since soon after Pearl Harbor is to continue.

Housewives and other consumers will be paid four cents a pound for salvaged fats. These are sold to soap

manufacturers and other industrial users.

Pearl Harbor Inquiry

It was not a lack of warning about the aggressive intentions of the Japanese that contributed to the success of their Pearl Harbor attack, but rather a refusal on the part of high military and civil authorities in this country to credit them with the audacity to strike at this American stronghold.

This was one of the most significant points developed by the appearance of venerable ailing former Secretary Cordell Hull before the joint Congressional Committee that investigated Pearl Harbor.

Hull told of his early conviction that the Japanese were bent on war and recalled a series of warnings about this danger which he conveyed to the Roosevelt cabinet.

He said it was November 25 that he abandoned all hope that the Japanese would accept peace. On that day he told the war council:

"That the Japanese were already poised for attack. They were likely to break out anywhere at any time at any place, and I emphasized the probable element of surprise in their plans. I felt that virtually the last stage had been reached and that the safeguarding of our national security was in the hands of the Army and Navy."

Nevertheless, Mr. Hull told the committee, as did former Under Secretary of State Sumner Welles, in later testimony, he heard at no times in the weeks preceding December 7, 1941, any suggestion from a military source that Pearl Harbor was a likely target.

The MOST Beloved CAROL

By TRUDI McCULLOUGH

(Baltimore Sun)

THE night before Christmas in 1818, "Silent Night"—most beloved of Christmas carols—had not yet been composed. But on Christmas Day it was sung for the first time by children in an Austrian village to the accompaniment of a guitar.

That Christmas Eve the village priest, young Josef Mohr, sat reading the story of the Nativity when a peasant woman knocked at the door. A child had been born in one of the humble homes in his parish in the Alps. He went to bless it and returned so filled with the meaning of the Christmas story that he sat down to write what he felt. The lines kept turning into verse: "Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright..."

A second knock at the door brought his friend, the organist and schoolmaster Franz Gruber, with word that the church organ had broken down. If there was to be music tomorrow it must be a very simple hymn since there was little time to rehearse the children. Gruber there and then composed the music for "Silent Night," later erroneously attributed to Hayden. Next morning, with only a guitar to guide them, the village children sang the song that was to become the carol of the world.

Sung at Court of Saxony

Nearly twenty years later four brothers and sisters were asked to sing it at the court of the King and Queen of Saxony. The journey of "Silent Night" had begun. It was introduced to America by bands of Tyrolean singers and bell ringers who toured the German-American communities that sprang from Boston to Milwaukee.

And yet "Silent Night" and most of the other Christmas songs America knows are not really carols at all. They are Christmas hymns set to solemn music by such famous composers as Bach, Handel and Mendelssohn.

Strictly speaking, carols are to be sung merrily and the term originally meant a dance. Perhaps the only real Christmas carol known to many Americans is "Deck the Halls With Boughs of Holly." Other real carols that appear as favorites are "Boar's Head Carols," the "Cherry Carols," the "Hunting Carol," and "Good King Wenceslas."

Simplicity of Music

America seems to be the one country in the world where the terms "carol" and "hymn" become interchangeable at Christmas time. But all the songs Americans have claimed as their favorite carols have one thing in common—extreme simplicity of the music. There is almost no choir or group any-

where that can make "Silent Night" or "Little Town of Bethlehem" sound unattractive.

The origins of all these songs are obscured and varied. As in the case of "The First Noel" or "Nowell," books engage in a genteel battle as to whether its genesis is English or French. Thus the two different spellings. It was first printed in England, but perhaps even there few people realize that the complete text of all its stanzas tells the entire Nativity story as told to the shepherds by an angel.

Tune From Handel's "Messiah"

Another founded on Biblical text is

"Joy to the World." Based on the ninety-seventh Psalm, it was written by an Englishman named Isaac Watts in 1719. Its tune is from Handel's "Messiah."

Charles Wesley, brother of the great John Wesley, wrote "Hark the Herald Angels Sing." The melody comes from the second chorus of a Mendelssohn cantata that was originally composed to celebrate the birthday of printing.

Luther Wrote Words

And Martin Luther wrote that children's favorite "Away in a Manger" for his own children, who formed a domestic choir. The origin of the music is in doubt.

"Oh Come All Ye Faithful" has no clear history, but its Latin origin is attested to by the fact that all present-day Latin countries have their own versions. It is believed it was once sung to a fast tempo and danced around the "creeche" or crib that was always set up to commemorate the Nativity. The carol's certain history began in 1751 when it was sung at Stonyhurst College. It was sometimes referred to as the Portuguese hymn because it was a favorite at the Portuguese chapel in London as well as at other Roman chapels.

Only one of the favorites is of strict American origin: "We Three Kings of Orient Are." Written by John Henry Hopkins, an Episcopal clergyman, in 1857, its dramatic stanzas imply that it may originally have been meant for a home-made drama in the village church.

Originally Song of Happiness

Some of the most interesting histories belong to the songs that are properly carols. "Good King Wenceslas" was originally a springtime song of happiness. In Bohemia, where Wenceslas ruled in the Tenth Century, street singers used to make their appearances in warm weather and sing these words about the King's extreme generosity as a hint to passers-by to loosen up their own pockets. Being associated with generosity, it naturally became a song of Christmas and gifts.



"The village children sang the song."

Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY

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THIS would be the happiest Christmas in America in a quarter of a century if it were not for industrial warfare. After brilliantly winning a war on two fronts we start a war at home among ourselves, thereby holding up reconversion. Labor and capital could settle disputes if motivated by the Christmas spirit. Good will goes a long way toward smoothing out differences and disagreements.

Yes, good will now is sorely needed—not only at home but abroad. Hate almost destroyed the world. A Third War can wipe out the human race as it exists today. Atomic bombs would do the job and do it quickly and completely.

Therefore, at this glad Christmas time let's stop hating one another for once and forever. Let's put good will into our hearts and keep it there. Let's read over and over the "Sermon on the Mount," by the Apostle of the golden rule who said nineteen hundred years ago: "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God."

Christ came into a world of hate and revenge, a world that sought an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But He taught a new doctrine—a doctrine of brotherly love and good will to all men. Nevertheless, most of his teachings still go unheeded. When the human race accepts and lives the philosophy of life as laid down by the

Saviour, there will be no more race hatred and no more wars.

Despite the labor rumpus, we are going to have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year because troopships are bringing home thousands of our soldier boys to be with their loved ones again. This homecoming is the best of all Christmas gifts. We welcome them with exceeding great joy. They fought a good fight, won a glorious victory. No braver men ever faced an enemy in defense of their country.



"That hound (meaning me) has been eating my cookies again!"

Turkey on the table Christmas and New Year has been the most popular meat. But not so this Christmas. The most popular meat, if you can get it, is cured ham. The old weather-beaten smoke-house with ham, bacon and sausage hanging from its rafters will look like a mansion these wintry days while you hunger for fried ham and brindle gravy. Songs and poems have been written about the odor of new mown hay, but it's a flop compared to the odor of ham sizzling in the skillet while wife pulls a panful of fluffy biscuit from the oven and says, "Breakfast is ready!"

Speaking of eats at Christmas time, you can't beat the traditional pumpkin pie and pound cake. Some housewives serve new fangled pastry with hifalutin names, but I haven't run across a thing better than old-fashioned ambrosia, boiled custard and cookies. I can eat my weight in cookies—and that is why wife hides the cookies. Some-

times I discover where she has hidden them and slyly eat my fill. Once I heard her say to herself: "That hound (meaning me) has been eating my cookies again!"

One of Ripley's cartoons recently pictured a plain bar of iron worth \$5. This same bar of iron, when made into horseshoes, is worth \$10.50. If made into needles, it is worth \$3,285, and if turned into balance springs for watches, it is worth \$250,000. At the same ratio a bale of cotton is worth \$3,500 if made into shirts, and worth \$6,200 if made into socks.

The 28-year-old new president of Ford Motor Company, Henry Ford II, said recently to a nation-wide radio audience:

"We have come out of this war with monumental proof that our country can discover and invent and build and produce at a rate that no human being thought possible. Are we now going to sit back and listen to prophets of gloom? Actually, all we need to do is to direct our creative energy into new channels to bring to our country a life richer and better than any of us ever have known."

Henry Ford II is right. Opportunity knocks at our door. Shall we open the door or shall we close it? The answer is up to you and me and all other men in these United States.

The coldest spot on earth is reported to be the Yakutsk region in Siberia where the temperature drops as low as 95 degrees below zero in winter. The next coldest spot on earth is right here in the Southwest if you are caught out in a norther without an overcoat. A good neighbor of mine lost his life because he failed to heed his wife's advice to take along his overcoat when going on a long journey. He ran into a norther, got chilled, took pneumonia and died in a few days.

TEXAS BRIEF NEWS---from Over the State

DEER DAMAGE CROPS

Sixty farmers and ranchmen attended a meeting in San Antonio early in the fall to talk over ways of protecting their corn and other crops from marauding deer. The animals increased during the war. Some farmers reported their corn field losses as high as 100 per cent.

GALVESTON WINS SAFETY PLAQUE

For the third time in four years Galveston has won the safety plaque awarded by the State. During 1941, 1942, 1944 the city had fewer traffic fatalities than any other city in Texas in the 50,000 to 100,000 population bracket. So far this year Galveston has had only one traffic death in the city limits.

TEXAS OFFERED "BATTLESHIP TEXAS"

Secretary of Navy Forrestal is reported to have offered the "Battleship Texas" to Texas, as the grand old warship is to be retired from service. Representative Thomas suggested that the warship be sailed up the Houston Ship Channel and permanently berthed off the San Jacinto battle ground.

PENNY PARKING METER

El Paso has been giving the penny parking meter a trial. The meter will take either a penny or a five-cent piece. One penny will buy 12 minutes of parking time; two pennies will pay for 24 minutes of time; a nickel buys an hour's time at the curb. Five hundred parking meters of this variety recently were installed in Mexico City.

CHINAMAN SAYS "NO" IN 3 LANGUAGES

Houston police questioned a transient Chinaman concerning \$7,000 found in his hotel room. Although he declined to answer questions as to where he obtained the money, he spoke freely in three languages, Chinese, English and Spanish, on all other subjects.

RIO GRANDE GIVES TEXAS 200 ACRES

Thanks to whims of the Rio Grande, Texas is 200 acres bigger than it was a while back. The shifting river in a recent flood cut a new channel and added a good sized farm, 200 acres, to the State near Los Indos, Cameron county. Three families, cut off, will become non-resident citizens of Mexico. The Boundary Commission will establish the new border line and life will go on as usual in the lower Valley.

LANDED A GOOD JOB

C. B. Hogan, Jr., of Dallas, is 30 years old. He was discharged from the Army Air Forces with the distinguished service cross, the air medal and four oak leaf clusters. He didn't walk the streets hunting for a job. He simply inserted the following advertisement in a Dallas newspaper: "Are you crazy? Discharged veteran wants job with high salary. Comes recommended as lazy, inefficient, not too bright, plus other debatable qualities. Heaven help you. Come and get me."

EARLY DAY BUFFALO STAMPEDE

In early times a stampede of bison left an untold number of dead animals in a Texas stream channel running near Plainview, Hale county, and Texas University Museum Director, Dr. E. H. Sellards, is trying to find out about it. Bones of the animal, piled in layers, lie under 12 feet of valley soil in what once was a stream, and from spears found there it is believed the pile-up occurred when Indians first started hunting buffalo in Texas. Bones so far uncovered indicate the animals were larger than the later day buffalo which roamed the plains of Texas.

UNWELCOME TAXICAB PASSENGER

Near the end of a long, uneventful night, R. L. (Red) Engelking, a Houston taxicab driver, delivered two passengers to West Alabama street and when they stepped out of the cab a ferocious-looking bulldog jumped in. The bulldog occupied the seat, refused to alight. In desperation the taxi driver rolled up to the nearest police station where several officers removed the animal from the cab. Kinny Poston, of the Humane Society, who knows nearly all Houston dogs, undertook to return the taxicab-riding bulldog to his master next morning.

FFA BOY HONORED

At the 18th annual convention of the Future Farmers of America in Kansas City, Marion F. Baumgardner, of Wellington, Collingsworth county, was elected vice-president of the national organization. At a banquet given by The Kansas City Star, he was awarded one of the 150 American Farmer degrees given for Future Farmer work. As a vice-president, Baumgardner represents twelve Southern States. He is the second Texan ever elected to a national office in the FFA. Roy Martin, of Cotulla, served in 1936. In this position, Baumgardner will direct the work of 200,000 Future Farmers in 6,500 departments.

BIRTH RECORDS SOAR

Texas recorded 164,033 births in 1944, highest in history. The 1944 rate of 23.9 per 1,000 population is larger than the 1943 rate of 23.4. Death rate for the year, 8.9 per 1,000, remained unchanged.

COUPLE LIKES FARM LIFE

Sixty-six years ago Mr. and Mrs. William Arnett were married in Alabama and came to Anson, Texas, December 1, 1891, where they settled on a farm which they bought. They have lived on this farm 50 years. Once they moved to town for a short time but did not like town life.

CYCLIST CLAIMS 300-MILE RECORD

Jack McDonald, of Dallas, claims the record bicycle-time of 15 hours and 48 minutes actual riding time from Dallas to San Antonio. He made the trip on a special bicycle of his own make, with six 30-minute stops for food and rest.

CITRUS CROPS ENRICH RIO GRANDE VALLEY

More than 9,000,000 citrus fruit trees are enriching farmers in the Rio Grande Valley this year. The crop is expected to cash in for more than \$60,000,000. P. J. Neff, Houston, vice president of the Missouri Pacific lines, says perishable shipments from the Valley increased 50 per cent between 1940 and 1944, and added that his railroad expected another 50 per cent increase in the coming five-year period. Canners are credited with having done much to stabilize the market for citrus products.

GI PIGEONS FOR SALE

Thousands of Army homing pigeons have been for sale in five-pair lots for \$25 the lot. Any person may apply to the Office of Surplus Property of the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., for detailed information regarding the GI message bearers. Many of the pigeon's were taught to fly at night, all are of exceptional breeding and have been carefully trained. Many are descendants of the nation's finest homing pigeon stock.

GROWS SWEETER BEETS

Beets grown in the Brazos river valley between Waco and Navasota contained a higher sugar content than beets grown in the western sugar beet States, according to Representative Poage, a member of the House Agriculture Committee. The report was based on tests made by F. G. Blake, of Cameron, Milam county, a soft drink manufacturer. Saccharine content of the Brazos valley beets is said to be about 21 per cent.

ALAMO GIVEN VALUED COLLECTION

Three thousand books about Texas, valuable old Texas paintings, documents and early-day newspaper clippings have been presented to the Daughters of the Republic of Texas by Dr. William E. Howard, of Dallas. The priceless collection represents the work of a lifetime and a large cash outlay. The collection is to be placed in the Alamo. Some of the first maps of Texas and letters from Bowie, Travis, Crockett and Houston are included in the collection. Portraits of 62 Mexican viceroys who ruled Texas for Mexico and letters from each are among the valued articles. There are 75 different portraits of Sam Houston.

"UPSTAIRS" SUPER-HIGHWAYS FORECAST

High land costs and increasing traffic are going to force some of Texas' super-highways "upstairs" after a while, says W. J. Van London, State highway engineer. "Skyways would be extremely useful in some places in Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio right now," the engineer says.

WATCH OUT FOR MAD DOGS

Rabies is more prevalent in winter than in the "dog days" of summer and fall, says Geo. W. Cox, State health officer. He reported that in February last year the State laboratory examined 312 animal brains for rabies and more than 37 per cent tested positive, while in August only 155 brains were examined with 30 per cent positive. If all stray dogs were destroyed and all pet dogs vaccinated, the disease could be more easily controlled, doctors say.

COUPLE WED 65 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Adkins were married October 15, 1880, in Petrilla, Ill. Forty years ago they moved to Texas and made their home at Eagle Lake, Colorado county, where they raised six children. A daughter, Mrs. William Spalinger, of Eagle Lake, and her husband, entertained the couple on their 65th wedding anniversary.

ATTACKS AND KILLS CATTLE

Henderson county farmers are on the lookout for a panther, or other large animal, which has attacked and killed one or two calves and which attacked, but did not kill, a grown cow on the farm of M. R. Renfro between Baxter and Flat Rock. Panthers have been reported in the vicinity over a period of years but none have been killed there recently.

100-YEAR-OLDSTER KEEPS UP TO DATE

Although more than 100 years old, having lived through four wars, H. S. Hilburn, of Graham, Young county, keeps posted on the news of the world and manages to walk to town frequently to chat with other early day settlers of the county. He celebrated his 100th birthday with a party at the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. E. Matthew, of Graham. His first home there was a dugout. Later he built a house, and at a still later date erected a modern house on the land which he still owns. Mr. Hilburn was born at Paris, Texas, September 27, 1845.

OWNER CONSERVES TIRES

Tire rationing never bothered Wesley Richards, of McAllen, Hidalgo county, and he never worried once during the war about his car wearing out. Mr. Richards drives a 1929 Ford which is as spick and span as it was 15 years ago when he bought it and his tires, the same ones that came with the car, are in fine shape. He simply takes good care of his car, never drives faster than 30 miles an hour and keeps his tires in the shade when not using them.



THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS!

TALE OF 19 POSTHOLES

An old story going the rounds is about an accountant in Dallas, checking the voluminous inventory files of the Defense Plant Corporation, says he found listed by the government, in addition to millions of dollars worth of other property, an item labeled: "19 postholes."

BEAR KEPT COMING

Charley Bazzell, of Longview, Gregg county, is showing a fine dressed bear hide from a 225-pound bear which he killed in the Cellways district of northern Idaho last winter while visiting his sister. He shot the bear at a distance of 200 yards with a 30-30 rifle. But the bear kept coming, and at 10 yards stopped and stood up. Then Mr. Bazzell gave him another shot which laid him out.

NUECES RIVER DAMS TO BE BUILT

Two of six dams to be built on the Nueces river will be started within 14 months, and cost approximately \$20,000,000, according to F. W. Pulliam, of Crystal City, president of the board of the Nueces River Conservation and Reclamation District, which met recently. Water from the first two dams is expected to irrigate nearly 40,000 acres of land, 21,500 acres at Cotulla and 18,500 acres at Uvalde. The other four dams will be built at Concan and Sabinal and will irrigate more than 30,000 acres.

BUFFALO-BRAHMAN CROSS-BREED BULL SOLD

Chris Smith, who operates a service station at Four-Way, 30 miles north of Amarillo on the Dumas highway, has sold his crossbred buffalo-brahman bull to an Oklahoma concern for show purposes. The cross-breed, probably the only one in existence, is a 4-year-old and weighed more than 3,000 pounds. For a while Mr. Smith kept the animal on a ranch in Colorado, but he became unruly and was returned to Texas.

NO INFLATION THEN

From an issue of The Texas Coaster, dated 1895, the following prices were taken from advertisements of leading merchants:

Shot guns, from \$5 to \$25, at Dyer and Ransom's.

Fresh fish, dressed 10 cents a pound, every day at A. Kaulfers.

Best quality American sardines, 5 cents, at Baker & Hirsch's.

Children's hose at Dyer's for 5 cents a pair.

Every day, fresh oysters, at 75 cents a hundred. Cooked, 25 cents a dozen, at A. Kaulfers.

Numsen's Clipper brand tomatoes, 4 two-pound cans for 25 cents, at Baker & Hirsch's.

Good syrup at 30 cents a gallon, at Baker & Hirsch's.

The Reliable Dairy, J. W. Cornett, manager, delivers the purest milk at five cents a quart; butter, the best, at 25 cents a pound.

You can get a fine cassimere suit of men's clothes at Dyer's for \$4.75.

Baker & Hirsch will sell you one barrel of good flour for \$3.85.

CAPITAL POURS INTO BUSINESS

During the first nine months 1945, domestic firms incorporated in Texas had authorized capitalization of \$9,932,000, compared with \$8,344,000 for the same period in 1944. In September alone 83 new firms were incorporated with authorized capitalization of \$1,679,000. For the most part the new concerns are merchandising and building companies.

KILLS LARGE BOBCAT

Sid McCreary, of Palestine, went hunting for squirrels in the Trinity river bottoms. An animal came creeping toward him as he still-hunted the squirrels and when it was close enough he shot and killed it. It was a bobcat, three feet long, and about 18 inches high.

BANANAS GROW IN LOCKHART

Several years ago some banana trees were planted in Lockhart, Caldwell county. The trees grew, but never produced until this year. Due to recent mild weather, 12 fine bunches were harvested from the trees.

FORMER SLAVE PREACHES

J. W. Thompson, negro Baptist preacher who lives in the rear of an apartment house at 111 N. Winnetka Avenue, Dallas, celebrated his 96th birthday in December. Born a slave in Victoria, Texas, he has lived through four wars. For 20 years he worked for a packing company in Dallas. Now he spends his time preaching and occasionally performs a wedding ceremony. He enjoys fine health.

MEXICO BUYS TEXAS KARAKULS

Jose L. Sanchez, of Mexico City, has bought 50 head of Karakul sheep from Mrs. Alex Allbright, of Dundee, Archer county, for the Mexican government. Mexico is to conduct breeding experiments with the Karakuls from which many fine "fur" coats are made. Alex Allbright established the Karakul ranch in Archer county, Texas, 43 years ago. Mrs. Allbright has managed the ranch since his death in 1936, and now has 800 sheep on the ranch. The Allbright ranch is well known in New York where the fine pelts from the new-born lambs are fashioned into many fine fur garments. Original stock for the Allbright ranch was imported from Astrakhan in southern Asiatic Russia.

TO CELEBRATE 103RD BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Mary Holcomb, of Tyler, Smith county, will celebrate her 103rd birthday the day after Christmas. Of her nine children, three are still living. Mrs. Holcomb was born in Skipper county, Alabama, moved to Kentucky Town, Grayson county, a number of years ago. She now lives in Tyler with her daughter, Mrs. A. L. Carr.

STEEL BOAT FOR FISHERMEN

In Abilene, Taylor county, a manufacturer soon will start turning out a boat made of 22-gauge steel which may be taken apart easily and carried in the back of an automobile. The parts can be reassembled in about five minutes, the maker said, who claims it is an ideal boat for fishermen.

TO PLANT OIL-BEARING TREES

Oil-bearing trees from Mexico are being planted for experimental purposes in the Rio Grande Valley. E. D. Cook, of Southern Methodist University agricultural department, supervised the planting of a truckload of "Garcia Nutans" on a farm owned by Carl Hoblitzelle. Similar trees have been planted on property owned by Dr. C. L. Luidell, of SMU.

THIEVES INVITED TO TAKE CARS

A classified ad in the Daily Sun of Goose Creek, Harris county: "The party or parties responsible for the theft of seven wheels and tires off two cars parked in the driveway at Slapout Gulley, are invited to come and get the rest of the cars. No questions asked." The thieves did not accept the invitation.

CHRISTMAS EVE ON A HOSPITAL SHIP AT SEA

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After repeating our performance in the cabin of each of these very sick men, the carolers proceeded to the mess hall, singing "Deck the Halls With Boughs of Holly." Here we had a good movie and an inspiring talk by our skipper, who spoke of the Christ Child as One for whose principles of life we are fighting. After this talk we had a feast.

Just think of it! Real steak, sandwiches, coffee, coke, ice cream, cakes, candy, Christmas cookies baked by our own ship's baker, all you could hold. During all this time my fine marine with but two fingers carried sandwiches, one by one, around to the stretcher cases.

The next day the patients slept late as though inebriated with good food and pleasure. Few of them waked for breakfast. They were still in a daze when I saw them at about 10 o'clock, as though they had been out all night and kicked up their heels. When I came to the bed of my fingerless marine I found him looking up at the ceiling, smiling. He jumped out of bed at attention and said: "Sir, I really believe that was one of the finest Christmas Eves I have ever had. And a Merry Christmas to you, sir; a Merry Christmas to you."

NATIVE PECAN TREE

24 FEET CIRCUMFERENCE

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near Bend, have brought up petrified pecans from great depths, proving that pecan trees thrived there in remote geologic times.

The great size of the Jumbo Hollis is best appreciated when compared to other large pecans trees in Texas.

In San Antonio, on South Flores street, there is a pecan tree with a circumference of 15 feet, standing 62 feet high.

Thirteen miles northeast of Breckenridge, Stephens county, is another pecan tree which measures 22 feet in circumference, and has a spread of 120 feet.

A large pecan tree, just found and measured at Toledo Bend, Newton county, is 15 feet six inches in circumference, 119 feet high and has a spread of 119 feet.

The Texas Forest Service, A. & M. College, College Station, is conducting a continuing search for largest trees in Texas, including pecan, of all species, and will welcome information about big trees of any sort in any part of the State.

THE FLOP FAMILY



By SWAN

A LITTLE FUN *Jokes to Make You Laugh*

Under Cover

A first grade class was asked to draw a picture with a horse in it. One small urchin did nothing, declared he couldn't draw a horse and flatly refused to try. Suddenly without further urging, he got to work. When the teacher looked at the picture later Johnny's achievement was a large barn, doors closed, covering the entire paper. "But where is the horse, Johnny?" inquired the teacher.

"In the barn," said Johnny confidently.

Ole's Rejoinder

Ole had bought a tractor but couldn't run it in spite of the fact that the dealer had shown him again and again how to operate it. The dealer finally quit in disgust. "I can sell you a tractor, but I can't sell you brains to run it," he said.

"Shoor you can't," retorted Ole. "You can't sell vat you haven't got."

Uncle Zeke's Wisdom

The late Simon Bolivar Buckner used to tell a story of an old resident in his Kentucky home who was celebrated for his wisdom.

"Uncle Zeke," a young man once asked, "how does it come you're so wise?"

"Because," said the old man, "I've got good judgment. Good judgment comes from experience, and experience—well that comes from poor judgment!"

The Small Son

The small son of the house had been told that he must always wait patiently till he was served at meals, and not draw attention to himself.

One day he was dining out at a friend's house with his mother, and somehow he was accidentally overlooked. Nobody noticed, and for a time he was patient, but at last he could stand it no longer. Leaning across to his mother, he said in a low voice:

"Mother, do little boys who starve to death go to heaven?"

Sweet Land of Liberty

Lord Halifax, who once said that it seemed to him every airman he met in London was an American, now is telling this story:

A man died and went to heaven where amid all the delights, he was startled to find four men in chains. "Men in chains, in heaven?" the new arrival gasped.

"Oh, we had to put them in chains," he was told. "They're dying to get back to America."

Sandlot Baseball Story

My favorite story is of a sandlot baseball game that lasted into late twilight. The trailing home team had finally managed to fill the bases. Two men were out and two strikes had been called on the batter. At this crucial moment, the pitcher and catcher of the rival team held a conference:

"It's so dark, nobody can't see nothin'," said the pitcher. "I'm going to wind up and make believe I'm throwing the ball, but instead I'll slip it to you now. After I go through the motions you pound your glove and pretend to make the catch."

The men retired to their positions and went through the elaborate motions, as proposed. The umpire peered over and bellowed: "Str-r-ike three! You're out!"

At that decision the batter became enraged. He pounded his bat on the plate in disgust. "Strike!" he wailed, "that was no strike—it didn't come within two feet of the plate!"

Sales Solution

A resourceful packaging man was able to make a hair-growing preparation sell after it previously had had a sorry sales record. The solution: Printing in red on the label, "Do not place this preparation on any part of the body where you do not wish hair to grow."

GOOD TIDINGS

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.—Luke 2:8-12.

WORLD SERIES INCOME

The world baseball series income from selling of tickets to games totaled \$1,400,000. While players' shares can only be estimated, it is believed the victorious players will receive about \$6,500 each while the losers will get about \$3,900 apiece.

Savannah, Ga., has a theater in active use which was established in 1818.

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Poultry News

Written by

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I have been thinking seriously this year, as in other years, of the things that should have been done in November on my poultry place. This year, I am reminded more than ever, that too few of us poultrymen have brought our breeder birds into production in December. All experienced poultrymen know that flocks for market egg production as well as those for hatchery flock purposes should be housed and in laying quarters by December 1st of each year. Any blood testing, selecting, treating for lice, mites and so forth should have been done well along before the 1st of December. When we have had a moderate fall such as this year up to November 22, too much is put off getting the layers under way on time.



In November roosts should have been treated with carbolineum. But if you still have the job to do, I would rather be late than not at all. This month, you still may have a day of moderate weather when you can do the job. Paint the roosts or spray them and the house early in the day, feeding the flock and watering them outside for eight to ten hours so the house will have plenty of time to air out and, then, you should have no blistering of birds and consequent molt or drop in production as a result. A great many manufacturers of carbolineum give you this warning printed on the containers: "Be sure to use a carbolineum with an anthracene oil base if you wish to spray it." The coal tar base carbolineum, and there are a lot of them advertised to be used with poultry, are effective but they must be painted on only. If labor were plentiful, this might be okay.

If you did not dust your hens for lice in November, as all of us should do, December is sure

the dead line for you to get busy. There are a good many dealers in every locality that sell a good dusting louse powder and have a booklet they can give you on the use of the product.

If you didn't worm your birds in October or November or in some instances both (depending upon the amount of contamination), you may find your hens are not in production in the house in December as they should be. There is no dodging it, so now is the time to do some worming. If you don't think they're wormy, however, pick up several of the worst looking birds, pen them, and give them a pill. Place these birds in a coop with a wire bottom so that nothing can get to any worms they might pass through to the ground or floor underneath. If these ten or more specimens pass worms, then I would not hesitate to go to the expense of buying pills and worming the whole flock. Use a worm pill with a coating that will carry the medicine into the bird's system far enough that the dose will be effective at the right place or where the worms are. Several commercial worm pills of this type are on the market.

If any of your birds have scaly shanks so frequently seen in warmer weather and you did not treat their legs by dipping them and bathing them in kerosene several times daily until healed when it was warm, you still have the job to do.

In catching birds for any of these operations, handle them carefully. You have frequently heard it said, "I don't believe in pilling birds, because it is too severe." Often the severity is a result of harsh treatment in catching the birds. Use a wire trap in your house or a good standard culling coop.

For winter litter, I believe there is nothing that will wear as well or prove more sanitary in the laying house as shucks. They should be placed about one foot deep and replaced when worn to the point that they no longer look like shucks, but shreds. You can buy commercial litter if no other.

Winter is coming on so now is the time to stop all cracks on the sides and ends and on the roof. A warm, well-ventilated house is what you should have.

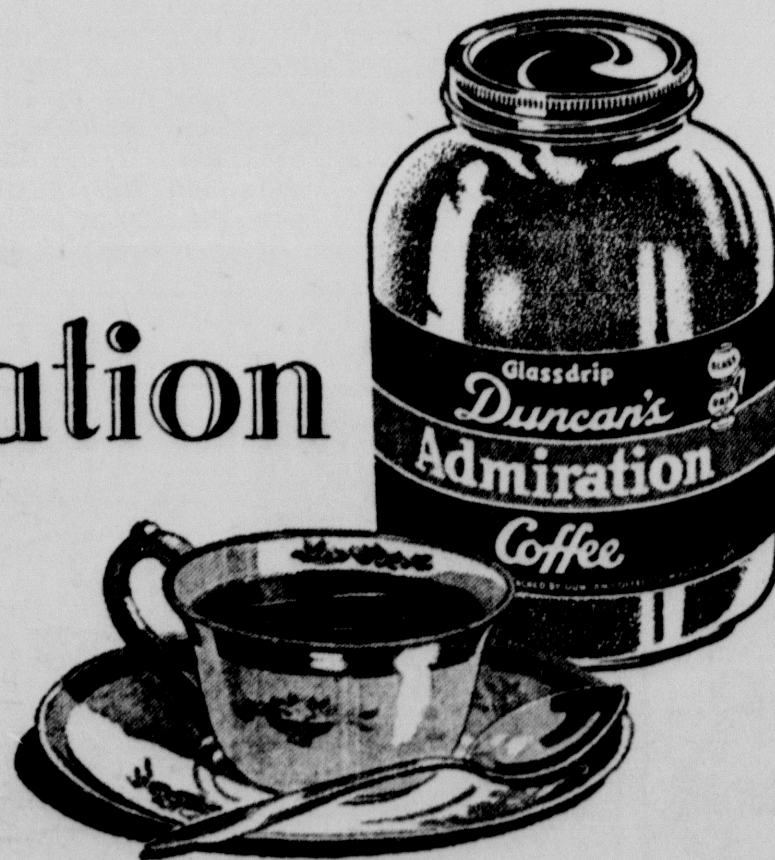


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Good foods carefully selected and properly prepared are the basis of good living. Among all the foods you serve, good coffee is probably the most important. It's the "backbone" of many menus, notably breakfast and supper; it's the one part of any meal that must be good if other foods are to be enjoyed. Hence don't take chances by trying to save a penny or two a pound. Buy the choicest, most skillfully blended coffee the market offers. Such a coffee is *Admiration*—superb in quality, rich in flavor, delightfully aromatic and inviting. More people in the Southwest drink it than any other brand. There's a reason.



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Texas Farm News Reports

Many States have egg-grading laws, but there is none in Texas. Jesse Bass, of Crosbyton, has installed an egg-grader in his Crosby county hatchery. He says there are three main grades of eggs with two minor ones, and he grades his eggs both for hatching and for commercial selling.

An International Harvester Company cotton picker, purchased by George C. Chance, one of the big planters of the Brazos River Valley, was demonstrated near Bryan, Brazos county, during the picking season. The cotton had been defoliated in a demonstration by the American Cyanamid Company and was clean of foliage. The picker harvested an acre of cotton in approximately one and a quarter hours, traveling at the rate of two miles an hour. Cotton men estimated the crop harvested by the new machine would average three-fourths of a bale to the acre, or about 1,200 pounds. At prevailing rates for pickers, \$2 per hundred, the machine was earning money fast. It is estimated that under all sorts of conditions the machine will pick cotton at from \$9 to \$25 per bale cheaper than hand pickers.

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Texas bees contributed 7,392,000 pounds of honey to the nation's dinner tables this year, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported. This is 820,000 pounds more than the State's honey output in 1944. Nine thousand additional colonies, plus increased production of one pound per colony, brought about the large production this year. Texas ranks tenth in honey output for the nation.



In an open letter to farmers of Freestone county, Charlie V. Hanning, agricultural agent, says too many farmers are "fire bugs" and advised the farmers to quit burning grass, weeds and stalks that are good fertilizer and also, when turned under, hold the soil together, hold water and permit air to reach the roots of growing plants.

At the beginning of fall Texas had 1,500,000 fewer laying hens than a year ago but still led all of the States in number of producing birds. U. S. Department of Agriculture counted Texas egg layers at 21,888,000 and Iowa next with 21,478,000. Minnesota was in third place with 18,387,000. But Texas' honor was an empty one in production per hen, Texas being in 39th place, with Vermont leading.

From a one-acre demonstration Julian Reynolds, member of the Lessburg boys' 4-H club of Camp county, harvested 245 bushels of marketable sweet potatoes this year. Heavy application of fertilizer on good soil plus clean cultivation were responsible. County Agricultural Agent Ross H. Brison does not claim a record, but characterizes the yield as "unusual."

There will be no cotton acreage quota in 1946, U. S. Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson announced in November. Earlier in the month the Department of Agriculture estimated the 1945 crop at 9,368,000 bales. Estimate for Texas was slightly over 2,000,000 bales, a decrease of about 100,000 below September 1 expectations. This is the smallest Texas crop in 50 years.

Thirteen new applications for soil conservation assistance in Austin county have been approved by the Austin - Washington county district of the Soil Conservation Service.

Hybrid corn in the field may look light, but "the yield will fool you," says Troy Hiller, Jr., of Sanger, and Alex Collins, of Cooper Creek, Denton county, in a report to Denton County Agent G. R. Warren. Both harvested more corn than their fathers who used different varieties on nearby land.

Texas rice mills are running 20 to 24 hours a day, the Eagle Lake Headlight, Colorado county, reported. All varieties have been pouring in, including the late Roxoro. Fifty-five per cent or more of the crop goes to the government, while some is going to Cuba. Not all orders can be filled.

The new drug, "Phenothiazine," developed in Texas and used for the first time in doctoring sheep, is now being used under direction of the U. S. Bureau of Animal Husbandry for prevention of worms in cattle, horses and hogs. Thirty members of the Progressive Farmers Club met at Victoria, in Victoria county, recently and saw a special picture and heard instructions on use of the drug.

Steve Murrin, of Mansfield in Tarrant county, is loud in praise of soil conservation and rotation grazing. He reports that his stock go through the winter with little or no feed as a result of improved methods. He has been mowing weedy areas of his pastures, overseeding rescue grass and sodding bermuda grass on the bottom lands, in corrals and around feedlots, clearing out undesirable trees and contour furrowing buffalo grass pasture.

Turkey poult and baby chicks don't grow well together. Parmer county 4-H club boys who received awards of poult in the cow-sow-hen program last spring, were advised by County Agricultural Agent Lee H. McElroy, and not to place them with their chicks. Those who followed his advice raised 60 per cent, and those who did not, raised only about 30 per cent. The surviving turkeys were fed on waste grain and skimmed milk and went to market at weights of 20 pounds and better, McElroy says.

In times gone by Texas turkeys, like old-time Texas longhorn cattle, ran wild on the range and were rounded up periodically. Usually hens sold for 50 cents and toms for 75 cents regardless of size, age or condition. But times have changed and turkey raising is a new industry of almost incalculable value to the State. One turkey egg can bring a farmer \$10, if it is the right kind of egg. It is estimated there are more than 4,700,000 turkeys in Texas, worth approximately \$28,000,000. Production this year is 25 per cent above last year.



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OVERSEAS GIFTS for Folks Back Home

By CHARLES W. DUKE
 As a consequence of the global war there will be a more bewildering array of gifts under the Yule trees of the United States on Christmas Eve this year than ever before in history.

For weeks every ship returning to this country has been laden with the Christmas offering of GI Joe and his fellows of the Army, the Navy, the Wac, the Coast Guard and other units for

analyzed by Philadelphia and New York perfumers from samples submitted by wives and sweethearts of soldiers.

Variety and novelty have made up in most instances, however, for any lack of quality in the gifts from foreign lands. And many a doughboy has managed to get a real bargain from a grateful merchant or an individual in one of the liberated lands. The list includes Glengarry caps from Scotland, Oriental slippers from the North African countries, real Irish linen handkerchiefs, white kid gloves hand made in Naples, sabots of wood from the Low Countries, mosquito boots of leather from Natal, Brazil, Kashmir robes and exotic items from many other foreign lands.



their loved one at home. Millions of these returning service men and women have been ransacking the world's shopping centers.

The doughboys have been raiding the shops in such numbers that it has been necessary for the Red Cross to organize shopping brigades.

The news reels recently have shown films of GI Joe lined up as apparent spectators at fashion shows in liberated Paris. Couturiers and perfumers and specialists in other French trinkets have been reaping a harvest—if they had anything to sell after hiding it from the Germans for five years. Many of them, incidentally, have been charging prices unheard of before the war.

For a silk scarf that under normal rates of exchange could have been bought in Paris for much less than \$5.00, GI Joe willingly has shelled out 1,000 francs—or about \$20. Silk handkerchiefs have been sold as high as \$10. And the chic little sweaters have been bringing up to 2,500 francs, or \$50.

The doughboys have been particularly partial to perfume in their Paris shopping, according to all reports. At the store of one perfumer they were lined up every morning awaiting their turn to buy. In these shops the soldiers got a break in quality, according to American experts, even when they paid extremely high prices. But the same cannot be said of the purchases made in Egypt, Iran, Persia and Italy. Mixtures of dark oil and vinegar with no scent at all have been

In the Pacific area the soldiers have had much less choice of gifts to bring home. Nearly all of them have managed to acquire grass skirts, however. They also have sent home highly-flavored native sweetmeats and decorative articles. Included are ear and nose rings which will be kept as mementoes. When nothing else is available they serve the purpose of reminding wives, mothers and sweethearts that the thoughts of their fighting men, always turning back home, do so

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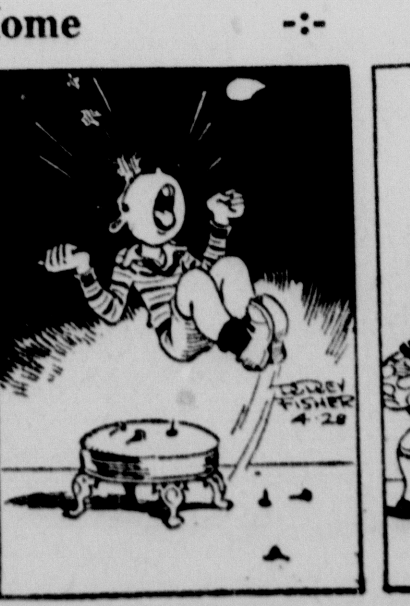
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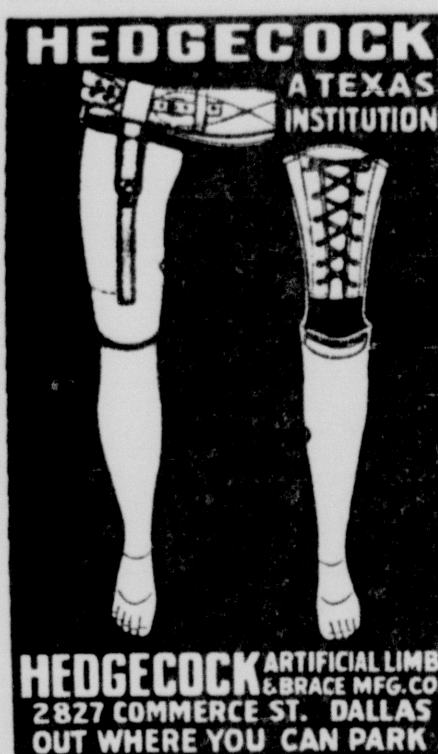


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HOUSEHOLD HELPS

By MARGARET MOORE

YULE DECORATIONS

Do your best to get the Christmas Spirit into your good home. The war over, this should be the happiest Christmas we have had in years. Make "Merry Christmas" really MERRY. Many of us will be together this Christmas for the first time in a long while. Let's leave nothing undone to make it a day to always remember.

Take a drive or walk into the country and gather the fall leaves and mistletoe to decorate your home. Decorate the table and fill the wall cases with the leaves. Lay them on the mantle of your fireplace if far enough away from fire to be safe. Put them in the chandelier; they are lovely with the light shining on them.

Some of the forest shrubs have berries that make the loveliest wreaths. Tie them together, into a circle, and hang them in your window. Put one on your door. Make a spray for your porch and put MERRY CHRISTMAS on a big red bow and fasten the spray with it. Let the whole world know that you are glad there is peace once more in America.

Don't forget to use mistletoe around and overhead if you are lucky enough to have it grow in your locality, or can buy it in stores. Dad will surprise the life out of mom when he catches her under the mistletoe and it will tickle the kids pink.

If you have cedars in your yard or any green foliage they are nice to mix in with the fall boughs. We have an ornamental pepper in our yard and it is really effective to add to the spray in the wall vase.

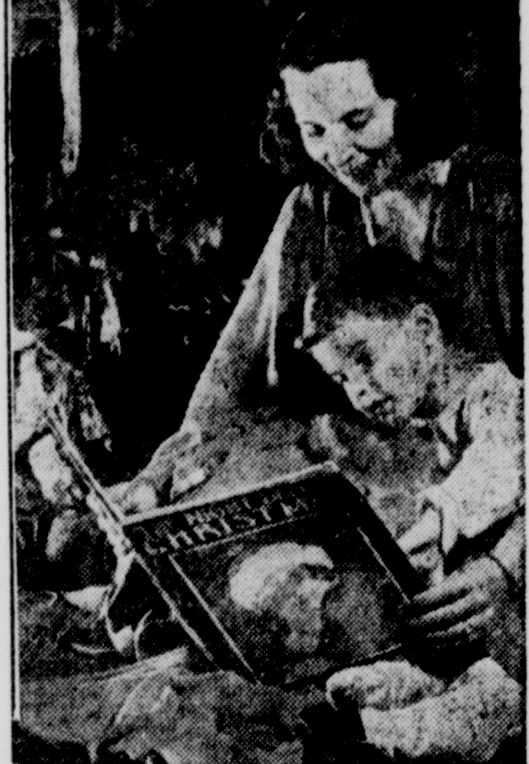
Make your Merry Christmas for the bow out of white paper, just cut it out and paste it on. Tie your bow first and then you will have it in the right place.

If there's a large mirror in the living or dining room, give it a holiday air by spelling "MERRY CHRISTMAS" with red gummed paper letters across the top. Or border it with small gold stars sprinkled on the glass.

Hunt up all the Christmas books the family owns—Dickens' "Christmas Carols," the children's dog-eared "Twas the Night Before Christmas," and other old favorites.

It's fun to cover them with new jackets of gayly patterned gift wrapping paper and keep them on a table in the living room all through Christmas week.

Want something different for the Christmas dinner table? Get an inexpensive small red drum and remove one side. Circle it with a holly wreath and fill the center with little surprise gift packages that are not to be opened until after dessert.



A CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mom can surprise the kids by having a Christmas party for them. Kids love get-togethers and for amusement can decorate the Christmas tree. What can be more fun than decorating the tree.

If you are short on tree decorations, as most of us are because of shortages, you can let the girls pop some corn and string the popcorn with cranberries. It makes nice dangles, or can be hung in scallops all around the tree.

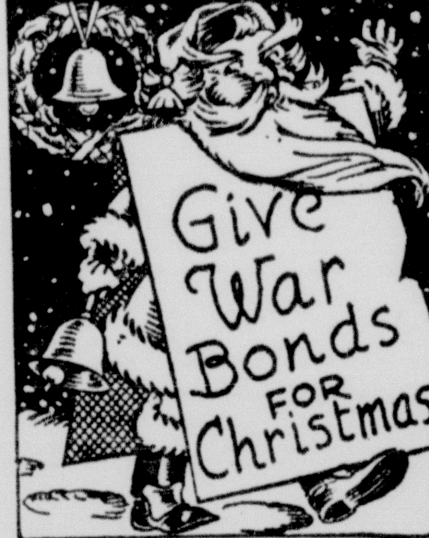
The smaller children like to make bright chains of colored paper. Some stores have Christmas paper for wrapping packages and you can save this for the chain. Scissors and a little paste is all they need. Santa Claus can be made of red paper with bits of cotton pasted around for white fur. Little black boots will make a nice ornament and you can tuck a stick of striped candy in the boot. Little snowmen can be made the same way. Chewing gum is back on the market, also cigarettes, both wrapped in tinfoil and enclosed in colorful packages. The little

wrappers can be folded diagonally down to a small piece and the open edge scalloped or pointed. Hold the center with your fingers and open up; shape it a little and you have a pretty flowerette that sparkles. Tie a string on the back and hang it on the tree.

Popcorn balls can be made, enough for the whole neighborhood, to have as gifts from the tree. Make little boots and fill them with candy. All the kids like to have something off the tree on Christmas morning.

End your party with all the kids singing Christmas carols and give each child a cup cake with a glass of punch. All children love cake and punch and it is good for them just before bedtime.

This is clean fun for the youngsters, and you will enjoy making them so happy. The whole neighborhood will be talking about the wonderful time they had at your Christmas Tree Decorating Party. If you are without lights for the tree try some colored globes in your lamps. It gives a cheerful effect.



GIFTS FROM THE KITCHEN

Gay packages containing food delicacies of your own making are always among the nicest and friendliest of all Christmas gifts. But this year especially, with food less plentiful and so many hungry soldier boys coming home, gifts from the kitchen will be appropriate and welcome.

Nothing could be a nicer remembrance this year for good neighbors and friends than a jar of your canned peaches, an attractive assortment of the jellies you made last fall, a jar or two of choice preserves or some other preserved food that you make especially well and therefore made in abundance. Wrapped attractively, such gifts present the delightful appearance which is so important in gift packages.

Gifts from your canned foods shelf are easy now because the work of preparing them was done months ago. Other gifts of food, such as cookies, cakes, pudding and candies, require some time now but they make charming gifts and are worth the bit of extra effort. Often you can combine food for giving with preparation for your own family.

If you make a plum or suet pudding for your family for Christmas dinner, prepare it several days in advance and make a few extra ones for giving. Gift cookies can also be baked when you are making those for your family.

Perhaps you can even spare enough sugar to make a limited amount of the home-made candy that is always nice to have about at holiday season and if you do you will spare enough for a gift package or two. There are countless gifts that you can give from the kitchen this year even though some of the makings are more than a little scarce. If your Christmas



These are rich and delectably good. Makes about 32 1 1/2-inch small cakes.

Butter Thins
2/3 cup sugar
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3/4 cup shortening (part butter)
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 1/2 cups bread flour
1/2 teaspoon salt.

Sift sugar. Beat shortening until soft; add the sugar gradually. Blend until very creamy. Beat eggs in one at a time. Add the vanilla. Sift the cake flour before measuring; resift it with the salt added. Stir the sifted ingredients into the butter. Drop it from a teaspoon well apart onto a greased sheet. Make the cookies about 1 1/2 inches in diameter. Decorate each one with a nutmeat. Bake them in a hot oven of 400 degrees F. until the edges are brown.

Molasses Mint Taffy
1 1/2 cups light molasses
1/2 cup sugar
2 teaspoons vinegar
1 1/2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
7 drops oil of peppermint

Cook molasses, sugar and vinegar in a large saucepan slowly, stirring constantly, to 260 degrees F. or until a little of the syrup dropped in cold water becomes brittle. Remove from heat and add butter, salt, and baking soda. Stir until mixture ceases to foam, then pour into a greased or oiled pan about 12x8x1". When cool enough to pull, drop peppermint in center, and draw corners toward the center. Press together, then pull the candy until it is light in color, and begins to harden. Then pull into 2 long strips 1/2" in diameter and cut with scissors into pieces 1" long. Wrap in Cellophane or waxed paper. Makes 80 pieces.

Spiced Nuts
1 cup granulated sugar
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon cream tartar
1/4 cup boiling water
1 1/2 cups walnut or pecan meats
1/2 teaspoon vanilla.
Mix sugar, cinnamon and cream of tartar. Add boiling water and stir over slow fire until sugar is dissolved. Cover a

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small amount of mixture tested in cold water forms a firm but pliable ball (245 degrees F.). The ball should be just a little firmer than for fudge. Add nutmeats, cool to lukewarm, add vanilla and stir with a wooden spoon until mixture forms a creamy mass. Then break apart so each nut is separate and deliciously sugar-coated.

CHRISTMAS ROSES
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PEACE BRINGS OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS



If Christmas does nothing more than turn the wistful eyes and hearts of men from mad pursuits today, wherever Destiny finds them, plodding along the Camel Roads where the Wise Men journeyed that night when the Desert Star pointed the way to the Manger of Humility; on the Prairies or in Ships at Sea; in War's halocaust that robs them of sanity; in Regions of Silence where the treasure of Eloquence is garnered; in the crowded places where the savagery of industrial conquest blinds them to the store house of Good Will from which we draw life's greatest riches — it has forever made plain the way out to Romantic if Portentious Adventure.

If life be a Journey then Christmas is the Road to Discovery. Its course leads to many stations and the most hopeful is Christmas. The Spirit descends upon us to save us from ourselves.

The arresting simplicity of Christmas when all Men are become as Happy Children with the delight of laughter, through every age in which we have worshipped the Birth of Revelation, is the Miracle by which we recapture Imagination and Belief. It is the flowering anew of Childhood's simple Faith. The radiance of Innocence covers the Earth.

If within us we have nurtured greed and become selfish; if disappointments have made our hearts heavy and too much work and worry have dulled the mentality, or if our ego, prompted by our yearnings, destroys our concern for others, it is but the instant of Time under the light of that Star which is Hope, that leads every Man to the Cradle of his better self, so that faith in our kind is rekindled.

Somewhere in the Heavens tonight the Star is shining brightly, renewing at Christmas, be it allegory or circumstance, the urge to follow as did the Wise Men who came out of strange lands beyond the Jordan. The grandeur of Heavens bursting with Melody fits well into the picture of the Legend, for after all what could express more forcefully, the Happiness of such Discovery. In the Miracle of Christmas Eve we may envision that wonder too, for the mystery and hopeful beauty of life is encompassed in the Manger and throbs like Music in the innocent eyes of a Baby.

It is a time when all men find it sweet to abjure hearts hardened by the ill Philosophy of false Pageantry. Proud possessors of great wealth whom life has taught the wisdom of the grasping hand, are today the gift bearers, bringing the Frankincense and Myrrh of fealty and laying them at the foot of the Manger. It is a time when men of small import surge up with eager hearts to equal the Mighty of Earth. The Democracy of common Faith operates again. In the faces of Happy Children we see with such reassurance the beam of Hope, we know that come what may, in the New Year, when weary months stagnate our journey toward another Christmas, we shall come again, remembering to the Cradle.

Human frailty will lay by much in store as it values the material. Life is an obstacle and has dissolutions that are often too grievous to bear. Somewhere in the economy of the Great Philosophy is the Scepter of great Magic, the Lamp of Aladdin, a Christmas, potent as a Benediction.

Smart sneer nor the arro-

No Herald December 27th

The weekly Herald will not be issued Thursday, December 27th. The next issue of the paper will reach our readers on January 3rd. The suspension of publication for one week is made necessary to enable employees to take advantage of the Christmas Holidays. —The Publishers.

THEATRE PROGRAM IS COMPLETE FOR HOLIDAYS

Cameron's theatre programs were complete for the holidays and John Prude, manager of the show houses, felt certain he would be able to supply that variety of screen splendor so necessary to fans here.

The big booking of the week is George White's Scandals, a technicolor extravaganza with a galaxy of stars reminiscent of Grand Hotel. This is the Christmas Day picture, Sunday and Monday, which takes in Christmas Eve, "Duffy's Tavern" is booked, a grand picture with one of the largest and best casts of stars in recent motion picture history.

"Senorita From the West," is the midnight show on December 31st. This entertainment moves into the New Year and always draws a big house at Cameron Theatre.

"We feel we are fortunate in booking these pictures for the holidays," said Mr. Prude, "Our doors will be wide open to Christmas and New Year crowds and we are doing everything we can to make Christmas enjoyable."

GRAND JURY RETURNS THREE INDICTMENTS

Three indictments were returned by the Grand Jury in District court Monday, having been recalled on order of John Watson, District Judge.

Ben L. Foyt, of Bell county, recently arrested in Houston, was billed for burglary in two cases. He is held for the robbery of the Walker store at Milano and the Skeezix Package store.

Robert Cusak, arrested in Galveston Sunday, was also indicted on companion charges to those under which Foyt was billed. He was said by officers to be involved in the robbery of the package store here and the Walker store at Milano.

T. C. Riggins, negro, was indicted for murder in connection with the shooting and stabbing to death of J. D. Allen, another negro here on Monday, November 26.

GEORGE FISHER NAMED HEAD OF USDA COUNCIL

George Fisher of Route 3, Cameron, was elected Chairman of the United States Department of Agriculture Council for Milam county, in the recent election, succeeding H. L. Atkinson of Maysfield.

The complete list of those elected is as follows: George Fisher, chairman; George Banzhaf, secretary; William Gore, Farm Security Association; N. M. Neuman, Rockdale, Soil Conservation; H. D. Maxwell, Rockdale, Vocational Agriculture; John B. Henderson, National Farm Loan Association; Lloyd Kirkman, Thorndale, Rural Electrification; F. W. Worley, Rockdale, Production Credit Association; W. A. Atkinson, Maysfield, Vice Chairman AAA Committee; Paul Graves, AAA Committee; E. E. Brown, Georgetown, Seed Loan.

The Council formerly known as the USDA War Board, is now the Council. Meetings are to be held on the second Wednesday in each month at (turn to page six)

gance of intellectual self deception, have not robbed the World of that Majestic Moment of Star Light in the calm Desert. Humanity's consolation is secure in the light of that Star which is Hope. Christmas lives because its message is "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

Lt. Bill Wallace with Captured Jap General



In the left foreground is Lt. Bill Wallace of Cameron and in the center facing the camera is Lt. Gen. Fugisuka, Japanese Air Corps officer, who surrendered in the Philippines with 600 of his men after he had been outfought and surrounded in the mountains not far from Manila.



LT. BILL WALLACE IS HOME FROM PACIFIC

First Lieut. W. C. (Bill) Wallace, United States Army, is home from the Pacific on terminal leave awaiting discharge from the service and is spending the Christmas holidays in Chicago where he met Mrs. Wallace. It will be their first opportunity to spend their honeymoon.

Lt. Wallace and the former Lt. Norma A. Panyk, Army Nurse, were married on December 18, 1944 in New Hebrides, in the South Pacific. After their marriage Lt. Wallace returned to his assignment and was later transferred to the direct command of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters in Manila in the Philippines. His wife went to Okinawa and came home in September of this year. Her home is in Racine, Wisconsin and she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Panyk.

Mrs. Wallace, still in the army, went to her home in Racine while Lt. Wallace came to Cameron and left last week to join her in Chicago where they will spend the holidays.

Lt. Wallace volunteered for the army resigning his office at City (turn to page six)

JIM SHUFFIELD DIED IN BRADY DECEMBER 16

Jim Shuffield, 72, native of Milam county, died at his home in Brady on Sunday, December 16.

Funeral services were held in Brady Monday, December 19 at the First Methodist church, with interment in the Brady cemetery.

Mr. Shuffield, one of a large number of boys of the family, was reared in the Maysfield community in Milam county. He left this county years ago and had made his home in Brady where he was engaged in farming and ranching and was a successful business man.

Surviving are five sons, Enoch, Buford, Thaggard and Oxsheer of Brady and Albert Shuffield of Austin; four daughters, Mrs. Milton Osborne, Mrs. Rufus and Miss Lexie Shuffield of Brady, and Mrs. Cage Terry of Cameron.

Five brothers survive: M. B. Shuffield, Henry Shuffield, Walker Shuffield and Oscar Shuffield all of Cameron. Seventeen grandchildren and two great grandchildren also survive.

1946 POLITICAL YEAR IN COUNTY AND STATE

The year 1946 will be political year in the county and state and on the approach of the New Year politicians were quietly looking after their fences and political talk was gradually dominating conversation.

One of the things about which many are speculating is the position of the returning War Veteran. Will he seek public office, and if so what reception will he get? More and more voters were inclining to honor the men who came back rich in experience and sacrifice, but time may dissipate some of the current enthusiasm and the veteran may not be as interested as much as his admirers.

The burden of the political ordeal is ahead, just around the corner.

The political ball will start rolling in the city election. The Democratic Primary is held in February, the date to be fixed by the Precinct Committee. Terms subject to the nominating primary are the offices of Mayor, Two Aldermen, City Attorney, City Secretary and Treasurer, Assessor and Collector of Texas, City Marshal. On the ticket also will be candidates for places on the Precinct Democratic Executive Committee. This primary will be followed by a School Trustee election in April.

County and state primary elections are to be held on the traditional Fourth Saturday in July. Every office tenure is on the expiration schedule.

The County Democratic Executive Committee will meet in early June to begin its duties for holding the primary election. The New Year not being Presidential election year, no Precinct Presidential Primaries are to be held in May.

Term expirations are also operative in Congressional races. War seems never to affect the temper of politics and there may not be any more activity than was evidenced in July of 1944.

MRS. LOLA HEARRELL BURIED HERE MONDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Lola Hearrell who died early Sunday, December 16, in Newton Memorial hospital, were held at 3 p. m., Monday, December 17 from the chapel of the Marek-Burns Funeral Home in Cameron.

Rev. W. R. Hall, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Marlin, conducted the services and the Marek-Burns Funeral Home directed arrangements. Interment was made in Oak Hill Cemetery in Cameron.

Mrs. Hearrell had been in declining health for a long period of time. She was rushed to the hospital early Sunday morning after she had suffered a heart attack at her home on 13th street. She died within about one hour after she reached the hospital. She was the widow of the late U. S. Hearrell, prominent attorney and former Mayor of Cameron, who died several years ago.

Mrs. Hearrell was born and reared in Cameron and was the sister of the late Jack Lewis, former Criminal Dis- (turn to page six)

HOME TIES RENEWED AS MEN COME HOME FROM WARS

Cameron was getting set for an Old Fashioned Christmas, the first to be observed since 1940 with the shadows of war removed from the spirits of the people.

Now that Peace has come, home ties are being renewed again as men are coming home from the war fronts. Many will be missing though Peace came in the late summer. Occupation duty finds many Cameron men in the world's outposts and it is of them most will be thinking as Christmas comes and the happy holidays not otherwise marred by the grim realities of sacrifice.

A special tribute of gratitude tinged with sadness is expressed on every hand for the gallant ones who sleep on forgotten islands and in the soil of continents where they paid the supreme sacrifice.

Christmas, always a time for family reunions, was bringing men home for the holidays. Shortage of production was cutting down on gifts so peculiar to Christmas but the kiddies were going to have their full

share of happiness, in many homes with the father back from the wars. The city was gay and happiness was infectious. It is the season when all feel the urge to put away the cares that have worn the brain and heart into dullness.

The entertainment program for the season was about as usual, with the churches leading out with services. The old-fashioned community Xmas tree is missing. Somehow it will always be indispensable to Christmas enjoyment.

Merchants were reporting brisk business, the demand for goods far exceeding the supply. Stocks will be depleted to the sell-out level by Christmas eve, Monday. The look then will be to the New Year where much is promised to bring the community back to normal business occupations.

Prominent among the entertainment programs were local theatres, where special pictures have been booked. Chief host in our city, the theatres were doing their share to make Christmas enjoyable.

TWO DIE IN CRASH TUESDAY

MRS. W. H. HICKMAN AND BROTHER ARE VICTIMS

Mrs. W. H. Hickman of Rosenberg and brother, Buford Curlee of Rockdale, were instantly killed in a head-on collision with a Bee Line passenger bus Tuesday morning on Highway 36 between Caldwell and Brenham.

Mrs. Hickman, who made her home in Rosenberg with her small son, while her husband, Sgt. W. H. Hickman is in the army in the Philippines, was on her way to Rockdale, accompanied by her brother, when the accident occurred.

Mrs. Hickman's son, now 7, was in school in Rosenberg at the time of

his mother's death. He is now with his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hickman in Cameron.

According to information given The Herald, the car in which Mrs. Hickman and her brother were riding, struck the railing of a bridge nine miles from Brenham. A heavy fog and mist partly obscured the highway and Mrs. Hickman did not see the approaching bus which was said to have been pulled over as far as possible on the side of the highway trying to escape collision with the car.

Funeral services were to be held in Rockdale on Thursday, December 20 or on Wednesday. Arrangements were not complete. Surviving are Mrs. Hickman's parents in Rockdale and her 7-year old son.

Tech. Sgt. Joseph W. Hairston of Milano is Winner of Distinguished Service Cross for Heroism in Germany; Also Gets Silver Star

Tech. Sgt. Joseph W. Hairston of Milano, winner of the Distinguished Service Cross, the Army's highest decoration, is the only living member of the 65th Infantry Division, to have been thus decorated.

The Distinguished Service Cross was awarded posthumously to Staff Sgt. Harry W. Caminiti, formerly of F Company, 258th Infantry, for heroism at Frlautern.

Sgt. Hairston also was awarded the Silver Star, second highest award within the limits of army decorations.

Sgt. Hairston was honored in a ceremony at Camp Hood in late June with Major General Eagles, presenting the decorations. Sgt. Hairston is 33 years old and spent six months and two days in battle in Germany. He was at Nuremberg, Germany, when the war ended. He was never wounded, although he exposed himself many times and completely disregarded his own personal safety.

Sgt. Hairston served in Company L, 261st Infantry Regiment of the 65th Infantry Division. The division was a part of the great Third Army under General George Patton and saw all of the hard fighting that led to the defeat of Germany and the end of the war in Europe.

After the war was over the Division headquarters started their own newspaper. It was called The Halbert. From this newspaper the following story and heading was taken: Hairston Gets 2nd DSC in 65th; 261

Platoon Leader Gets Award for Action at Struth:

"The second Distinguished Service Cross, Second highest US decoration, to go to a member of the 65th Division was announced yesterday, as having been awarded to Tech. Sgt. Joseph W. Hairston, a Platoon leader in L Company, 261st Infantry.

"By Direction of the President of the United States, Sgt. Hairston earned the award for his 'extreme heroism,' on April 17 at Struth, Germany.

The citation reads: 'During an enemy tank infantry attack at Struth, Germany, Tech. Sgt. Hairston gallantly exposed himself at great risk to deadly hostile grenade and rocket fire in order to thwart an attempted seizure of his Company command post. Finding that an adjacent company was pinned down by withering enemy machine gun fire, Sgt. Hairston advanced through enemy fire and eliminated the hostile crew with point blank submachine gun fire.

"Later, in the same action," the citation continues, "he gallantly braved both enemy and friendly fire to seek out and lead to safety the besieged group of his comrades and their prisoners."

Sgt. Hairston's award is the first made to a living 65th veteran. The first DSC was posthumously awarded to Staff Sgt. Harry W. Caminiti, (turn to page seven)

THE HERALD TODAY

68 pages in 8 sections, our annual Christmas number made possible by the cooperation of business men who send you their Greetings for Christmas and a Happy New Year. The publishers and the employees of The Herald wish to express their appreciation for this cooperation and splendid advertising patronage and to wish for all a Holiday Season filled with Cheer.

—THE PUBLISHERS.

Merry Christmas



A DRIZZLING rain seeped through Mike Duncan's threadbare coat and soaked him to the skin. Snow had preceded the rain that afternoon and the going was pretty tough. He wearily trudged along, endeavoring to keep out of the way of reckless herds of last-minute Christmas shoppers who thought of him only as a bar to their progress.

Ordinarily Duncan would not have thought of his wet skin, his tattered clothes, or even of his empty stomach. They were all part of life on the road—but this night was different. It was Christmas Eve.

It must have been the holiday season—why else would someone thrust a fifty-cent piece into his hand and



"Are you sure that's all you want?" then vanish into the shadows? He could only murmur a grateful "Thank you, sir, and a merry Christmas to you" before the donor disappeared into the swirling crowd.

Duncan reached into his left pocket, pulled out two dimes and five pennies, laid them with the half-dollar in the palm of his other hand and stared at his entire fortune of seventy-five cents.

He smiled sardonically when it occurred to him presently that the building in front of which he stood was the United States Mint. He turned and, with a laugh that had a hysterical ring to it, jingled his handful of coins. His mirth attracted the cop who had been standing on the corner watching him. The officer said to him in a brogue so thick that it could have been cut with a knife, "Move on, blasht ye!" Mike wandered off down a deserted side street, clicking his money.

After about an hour of aimless roaming through endless alleys, he found himself directly opposite a brightly decorated restaurant. He crossed over and from sheer curiosity looked in the window.

There were only two patrons inside—an elderly man and woman seated at a front table who were avidly devouring with much relish a whole roast turkey with all the side dishes.

Duncan's mouth began to water—his stomach seemed hollow—he felt his legs go weak, and his ever-present hunger was getting the best of him. Suddenly he remembered the seventy-five cents. He thought quickly. A bed for the night at a flophouse would cost fifteen cents—that would leave him sixty. He decided to go in and order a roast turkey sandwich. He gave his hat a few deft pats and opened the door. He hung his battered hat and coat where he could grab them in case of an emergency, and made himself comfortable at a table in a corner. Duncan knew that his appearance was none to prepossessing and that a waiter would not dash up to some one from whom he could not get a tip. After a while a vinegar-faced man deigned to come to him. "What'll you have?" he asked, stifling a yawn.

"A hot roast turkey sandwich," replied Duncan.

"On toast or rye bread?"

"Rye."

"Anything else?"

Duncan shook his head. "No, nothing else."

"Are you sure that's all you want?"

"Yes, that's all. Just a roast turkey sandwich."

The waiter returned with the order, placed it before him, shook his head wonderingly and withdrew. Duncan virtually devoured the sandwich in three bites. He delicately wiped his mouth with a napkin, then beckoned the waiter. "Check, please," he said.

"Check?"

"Yes, the check." Duncan raised his eyebrows.

"But there is no check."

"No check? What do you mean—no check?"

"There are none tonight. This is Christmas Eve. Didn't you see the sign in the window? Customers can order anything they want. It's on the house. You're the only guy who didn't order the whole darned menu. Well, merry Christmas," he added.

Duncan's jaw dropped. His gaze fell on the half-dollar, two dimes and five pennies still clutched in his hand. Slumped in his chair, his eyes followed the back of the retreating waiter.

Balsam Fir Chosen by

Heavenly Messengers

According to Ansgarius, who converted the Vikings to Christianity, the Lord sent Faith, Hope and Charity to earth to select His Christmas Tree.

They selected the Balsam Fir because it was as high as Hope, as wide as Love, and bore the sign of the cross on every branch.

Constructive Toys

Make Better Gifts

When you buy toys for children, give a thought to their constructive qualities. How much can they do with the gifts you are providing them? Will they soon tire of them and go back to the good old spoons and pans in the cupboard that they can do so many things with? If you buy a doll, get one that can be dressed, bathed and brushed. If a boy wants a doll, let him have it. Fathers love children.

Growing children need big toys that require lifting, tugging, running—movement of muscles. Blocks are ideal. Think of the things that can be done with them! One carpenter out of work made quite a good thing last Christmas of children's blocks. He collected odds and ends of boards at the lumber yard, planed them off smoothly, painted them gay colors and sold them in lots of a dozen up to 100. Wagons, cars, scooters, skates, sleds, and skis are good. But the toy should suit the age of the recipient. Every boy should have a ball of some kind. Boys like trains, but wooden blocks painted to resemble cars are better than the kinds that can run only on tracks. Girls are pleased with rolling pins, doll beds, houses, trunks, small chairs and tables, and dishes. One mother writes that her son's most cherished gift last Christmas was five pounds of assorted nails given him by an understanding uncle.

For older folks, books and Christmas just seem to go together as naturally as bread and jam, or



Educational toys are popular.

ham and eggs. A home-made book may make a hit. It may consist of leaves of brightly colored cambric, ten colors in all, sewed securely through the middle to hold them together, and with pinked edges.

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Christmas

BY JACK SOUTHERN

Minister, Church of Christ

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, he was born in a manger, because there was not room for him in the Inn. Think of it! The Son of God being crowded out of a hotel even in his birth. Many will say, if Christ were here now we would not crowd him out. I wonder if we would.

Christ is not here in person today, and yet, he is here. We cannot crowd him out of a hotel today, but we can crowd him out of our lives. Christ said, "I stand at the door and knock, if any man will open unto me and I will come in and sup with him and he with me." Christ does stand at the door of our heart and knock. He does not come into our hearts if we are not willing for him to come in. Someone has said, "the door of our heart has only one knob and it is on the inside." If Christ comes into our hearts, then we will have to open the door.

Many are asking the question today: how may Christ come into my life? What must I do in order to be pleasing to Christ? Christ has not left us without an answer to this im-

portant question. He has said, "Not everyone that sayeth unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father who is in Heaven." Matthew 7:21.

Many think that they have made room for Christ in their lives just because they have called, Lord, Lord, but Jesus says that we must do the will of the Father.

What is the will of the Father? We can find the will of the Father toward us on the pages of the New Testament of our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "No man can come unto me except the Father which sent me draw him, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the Prophets, and they shall all be taught of God. Everyone that hath heard from the Father hath learned, cometh unto me." Jno. 6:44-45.

We must hear the Word of God, then, before we can come unto Christ, Paul said, "And without Faith it is impossible to be well pleasing unto him, for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is



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a rewarded of them that seek after him." (Hebrews 11:6). Jesus said, "Except ye repent ye shall all in like manner perish." (Luke 13:3). Again the Bible says that we must confess Christ. "With the heart man believeth unto righteousness and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." (Romans 10:10).

There is one last condition which must be met by those who would make room for Christ in their heart. Jesus said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be condemned."

If we will do all of these things just as Christ would have us do and then live faithful unto him until death he will give to us the "crown of life."

I ask you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to make room for Christ in your life. Now it a good time for you to do this. What think ye of Christ?

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POSSUM FLATS... MERRY CHRISTMAS!

By GRAHAM HUNTER



YOEMEN WIN OPENING BASKETBALL TOURNNEY

The Yoemen, displaying early season possibilities, won their first tournament here Saturday but had a hard time in the final against Thorndale, but nosed out the visitors 36 to 30.

The thrilling game was the wind up event of the two-day tournament arranged for the local gymnasium by Coach Jackson.

Rockdale, losing out in the elimination series, won the consolation game final against Calvert 26 to 18.

Gerick, one of the basketball-playing Gericks of Ad Hall, who set the pace for top scoring in the tournament, goth away with 15 against Thorndale in the final. The half time score in the championship game was 13 to 10.

Allen, who set the pace for the Tigers in the elimination series, was high point man in the play off for the consolation.

Thorndale badly outclassed the Belton Tigers in the semi-final 45 to 15. McMillian scored 16 points while Sparks was high man for the Tigers.

In the semi-final it was Cameron over Thrall 27 to 12 with Gerick again scoring high with 14 points.

In the consolation bracket Rockdale ran away with the semi-final over Franklin 20 to 9 and Calvert had a hard time with Sharp, but finally won 26 to 18. Allen was again high point man for Rockdale while Mulsey of Calvert, and Campbell of Sharp were high point men, both scoring 10 points.

A months furlough each year with full pay and allowances are yours in the Regular Army.

My Daily Prayer

Author Unknown
"This coming year I'd like to be a friend to everyone;
I'd like to feel each day well spent at setting of the sun;
I'd like to know that I have done at least one kindly deed,
Before I lay me down to sleep that I have given heed—
To some one's cry for sympathy, or friendship or that I have made the day seem brighter to some chance passer-by,
And that the world is better still in just some little way,
Because I've tried to live the very best I could each day.

"I'd like to be a ray of light when skies are overcast,
I'd like to help some one who failed to blot out all the past,
To start again despite the storms, and find the skies are blue,
To know that in this good old world there's lots that's fine and true,
I'd like to be the kind of person everyone will love,
And make the world seem just a little more like heaven above;
I'd like in all my dealings to be true and just and fair,
That God will help me do these things shall be my daily prayer."

Superstitions Told About New Year's In Many Lands

Good Luck Offered in Many Ways to 'Believers.'

New Year's Day affords everyone the opportunity to bring himself good luck throughout the year. At least that is supposed to be true according to several old superstitions concerning the beginning of a new year.

The "First Foot"—the first person to enter the house on New Year's morning—plays a significant role in the family's future fortunes. He must be a dark man to bring good luck, but if he also brings a gift and "carries in" more than he "takes out," then the house is assured peace and plenty for a whole year. The most auspicious gifts as luck-bringers are a lump of coal and a red herring.

Unmarried persons are advised to look out of the window on New Year's morning. If you see a man, it is a sign that you will be wed before the year is out. Should you see a horse, you can have a wish, and it will be realized within the year. To see a dog is lucky, but a cat foretells worry.

A little care will make it possible to bring oneself good luck for the entire year. Wear something new, if possible, on New Year's Day, but the garment must be put on when you first dress in the morning. Receipt of a gift is certain to carry luck. Wish everyone you meet "A Happy New Year," but remember when the greeting is given to cross your fingers for luck. Be sure to say "rabbits" as the first word when you wake before anyone has had a chance to speak to you.

Love's progress will be aided on New Year's Day if you are careful to put on the left stocking before the right. The potency of this charm is supposed to be increased if you do all things as far as possible left-handedly during the day.

To open a bank account on New Year's Day was considered lucky in Old England, the custom growing probably from the belief of many centuries that whatever you do on the first day of the year will be an indication of what will happen during the months that will follow.

In some parts of England and Scotland it is supposed to be unlucky to leave a house until some outsider has first entered it.

New Year's Blessings an Ancient Swiss Legend

According to Swiss legend, the Holy Family is abroad during the hour of midnight mass on Christmas Eve.

Therefore, a bowl of fresh milk is placed upon the dining table and each member of the household carefully lays his spoon upon the table cloth.

The person who, returning from church, finds his spoon has been moved may anticipate special blessings during the coming year: for surely Mary and Joseph have rested within the abode during their Flight into Egypt and the Virgin used that spoon to feed the Infant Jesus.

Miracle Plays Still Held
Among more tradition - observing communities of the world, old-time miracle plays are still performed, often in the form of elaborate dances, in solemn, but lavish, settings against the colorful background of tropical foliage.

NEWS FROM MILANO

Whitt Ashley died in Cameron Hospital Saturday afternoon, and was buried at Liberty cemetery on Monday. Mr. Ashley was struck by a truck and fatally injured in Milano on Highway 36. He was a member of the Milano Baptist church. His survivors include eight children.

Lee Braun, who has been ill, is reported to be improving.

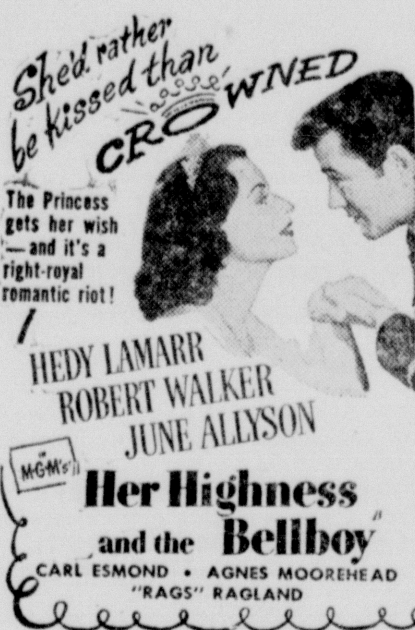
Milano schools will close Friday for the Christmas holidays. The school play will be presented to the public on Thursday night.

Mrs. Dan Robinson will leave the latter part of the week for Temple where she will spend the holidays with her daughters and their families.

Mrs. Ida Dykes had as her guests for the past week, her two sons and their families.

Mrs. Ida Hause will spend Christmas with her children in Bryan.

Mrs. H. M. Timmons and mother, Mrs. Mary Peoples, left Monday for Louisiana where they will visit with Mrs. Timmon's daughter before going to Florida to spend Christmas with a son and family.



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Young Men of 17 May Enlist in Regular Army For the First Time

When the armed forces voluntary recruitment act of 1945 was passed by Congress, the doors of the Regular Army were thrown wide open for the first time in history to young men 17 years of age. Capt. Clyde E. Howell, Recruiting Officer in Temple, announced today. Any young man of that age may enlist now, Capt. Howell explained, providing he has the written consent of his parents or legal guardian. Eighteen year olds may also volunteer for the army even though they have registered with their local draft boards, just so long as they have not yet been called into

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active service, the recruiting officer said.

By enlisting now, Capt. Howell said, these young men may choose one of the three terms of enlistment currently being offered, either 18 months, 2 years, or 3 years. They have their choice also, of the theatre to which they would like to be sent.

Upon discharge at the termination of their enlistment, Capt. Howell added, the educational benefits of the G.I. Bill of Rights will still hold good for these young 17 and 18 year olds. Under this bill, the government will provide four years of college education, all expenses paid, to these young men as a reward for just three years service to their country as a "Guardian of Victory."

"The recruiting staff and myself," Capt. Howell said, "are here to assist the young men and the discharged veterans of Temple and vicinity with their problems concerning enlistment or reenlistment into the Regular Army. Feel free to call on our office, which is located on the second floor of the Fletcher Building, at any time for information and assistance in regards to joining the Army."

Mrs. J. A. Schuhsler has moved back to Houston where she previously lived. Since her husband has been overseas she has made her home with her parents, Mayor and Mrs. Chas. Smith. Her husband is expected home soon.

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Due to the Xmas Holiday Season we will discontinue the collection of pictures and Military Record write ups for the Historical Milam County Book, until the holiday season is over.

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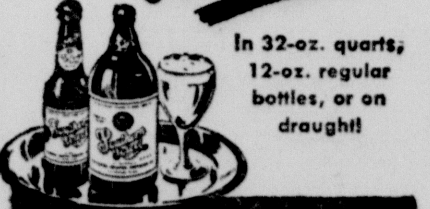


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Christmas

BY C. W. SANDERS

Pastor First Baptist Church

Christmas is a season of meditation. The hearts of men are more grateful and less callous than ordinarily. As we meditate upon the birth of God's Son into this world our hearts melt with tenderness before such Divine Love.

Christmas is a season of witnessing. With the worlds emphasis on the material, the commercial, the showy extravagance of prosperity, gluttonous consumption of rich foods and erroneous so-called "good" whiskey, those who possess the knowledge and joy of the living Christ have a great responsibility to tell those who are without this knowledge and joy.

Christmas is a season of Thanksgiving. When darkness was impenetrable, When there was not one ray of hope, "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." God, for Christ's sake, forgave your sins, and adopted you as His child. Peace came. Now with Paul of old we shout, "Thanks be to God for His

unspeakable gift!"

A Season of Rejoicing — Angels were singing when Christ came to make glad the first Christmas. Shepherds left their sheep to worship in adoration the Christ child, and Wise Men brought their richest treasure!

As the first Christmas following World War II comes, let us meditate, witness, give thanks and rejoice with homecoming loved ones, friends and neighbors, that peace and good will might cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

With the Baptists (Christmas Pageant)

To Guide Our Feet in The Way of Peace, is the title of our Christmas pageant. The only true Christmas story is the Biblical story of the Christ. This compelling and thrilling story will be presented in pageant form Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. Earl Mosley is production chairman and cooperating with her are: Miss Mary Randolph, chairman of the property committee; Mrs. Leona White is chairman of the costume

committee; Bro. Francis Cox, chairman of the music committee, and the lighting committee composed of Carl Rose and Earl Mosley.

Much work and time will be given to this presentation and we earnestly hope that all our members and friends will avail themselves of this great opportunity to see "To Guide Our Feet in The Way Of Peace."

Crime Wave of 'Slaves'

In Bremen Is Suppressed

FRANKFURT AM MAIN. — The United States army said recently that order had been restored in the Bremen area following a crime wave in which gangs of former slave laborers treated all Germans as "fair game."

Troops of the 29th infantry division joined with military government forces in curbing attacks that had reached "serious" proportions, the official announcement said.

"Because many erstwhile slave laborers have been reluctant to be repatriated and because they consider all Germans to be 'fair game,' the looting of farms and attacks upon civil policemen have been mounting during midsummer," the announcement said.

Lt. Col. R. R. MacDonald, United States public safety section, said "our latest report from Bremen is that the situation now is well in hand."

Height Is Increased

For Airplane Hostess

KANSAS CITY, MO. — Air hostesses may look different lately, according to Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc., officials.

The reason is that they're taller than they used to be.

The airline has upped the height requirements for hostess applicants by 1 inch — from the former 5 feet, 5 inches to 5 feet, 6 inches.

Short Shirt Tails Will

Continue in Style, W. P. B.

WASHINGTON. — War-born stubby shirt tails and collarless pajamas may continue in style awhile. The industry, WPB reported recently, wants to retain the restrictions until it's sure plenty of cotton fabric will be available.

Meanwhile, the agency announced that fabric manufacturers no longer need put aside part of their production for priority orders when no such orders are on the books.

Homer Allen is a patient in the Newton Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Evans visited their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Evans, in Austin Tuesday.

Office or Lodge Decorated With Little Effort

Have you been chosen to arrange your office or lodge Christmas party this year?

Don't look at it as a chore, or something that can be done in the last few days before the actual holiday. Make preparations for it ahead of time—and you will see how much more enjoyment everyone will get out of it.

Christmas is the season for parties when people spend much of their time indoors either entertaining or being entertained. It is during this season that everyone is looking for new ideas for decorating homes, offices, recreation centers or gathering places.

Christmas greens are the favorite decoration and most univer-



sally used in all countries. In America, the pines, holly and mistletoe are displayed in wreaths or hung about the room to give a holiday atmosphere.

Other natural materials may be added, such as pine cones, shells, seed pods, ground pine or fruits.

If color is to be added, paint the gourds or pine cones with poster paints and fasten them on the pine boughs with wire or string. Pine cones painted in white and edged with red or blue are especially striking when hung against a dark green background.

Three dimensional posters make effective decorations, and are easily made from cloth, stiff paper or other material. This type of decoration is particularly effective made up in the traditional Christmas scenes such as the bringing in the Yule log, Nativity scenes, or caroling.

Christmas cards are a good source to go to for suggestions if you need a design for a poster or bulletin board as a central piece.

Syria Camel of Jesus

Blessed by Child Christ

In Syria, water and wheat await the Gentle Camel of Jesus who travels over the desert on Epiphany Eve bringing presents to good children.

Legend says the youngest of the camels which bore the Wise Men to Bethlehem was exhausted by the pressing journey and, as it lay moaning before the Stable, the Christ Child blessed it with immortality.

HERE'S HOW TO SELECT A TREE

"How can we select a Christmas tree that holds its needles?" is a question fathers and mothers ask year after year.

The answer depends on the type of tree you buy and the care you give it once you set it up.

All trees tend to drop their leaves after they are cut and stored in a dry room. But some kinds naturally hold their needles longer than others. Trees used most commonly on Christmas are the spruces, fir, hemlock, pine and red cedars.

Spruce are the first to shed their needles. A spruce can be identified by grasping a branch tightly. Its sharp needles will prick your hand.

The ideal Christmas tree is the fir. It resembles the spruce except that its needles are not sharp. The needles stay on the tree for a long time, and become a golden brown before they finally drop off. Needles of the Douglas fir are flat and soft to the touch. This popular tree can be easily identified by examining the cones which have small appendages on each side.

Pines have never been very popular as Christmas trees, in spite of the fact that they do not shed their needles easily. This is most likely due to their unsymmetrical appearance which does not closely resemble the traditional Christmas tree.

No matter what kind of Christmas tree you select, it will hold its needles longer if it is standing in water. Place a little water in the base of your tree stand and you will be bothered less with falling needles than you were last year.

ALVIN ROZNOS IMPROVING

Friends will be glad to know that Alvin Roznos is resting well and rapidly improving at the Cameron Hospital where he has been confined for the past three weeks. Mr. Roznos suffered a lacerated arm and hand

while working at the Cameron Oil Mill. During the ginning season he was employed at the Edgeworth gin. Mrs. Roznos, who is employed at the school lunch room, reports that she will be able to remove her husband to their home within a few weeks.

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Merry Christmas

This word of greeting to our Policy Holders and my many friends in this community is expressed in the deepest possible appreciation of your fine treatment of me in the volume of insurance business I have been able to write.

During the war years when I could not see the people of my home city, I was deprived of the privilege of saying "Merry Christmas" to you personally. Now that the war is over and we have returned to our places in civilian life, an old fashioned Christmas is the order of the day. So may it be with you and yours: A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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YARD AVERAGE COMPILED ON YOEMEN BACKFIELD

Statistics on the men in the Yoemen backfield during the football season just closed have been compiled by Coach Leo Jackson and some interesting information is made available to the public.

T. J. O'Neill, who has two more years in high school and football eligibility, led the field on total yardage. Paul Burke, who joined the squad late after being held up on eligibility investigation hung up a fine average. He carried the ball only 16 times and his average was 9 and a half yards.

Lawrence Michalka carried only 14 times and made 126 yards or an average of nine yards per carry.

Here is the table, in readable form on the yardage gained by the backfield:

T. J. O'Neill carried the ball 94 times, gained a total of 795 yards with an average of 8 and one third yards per carry.

Richard Burke carried the ball 90 times, gained a total of 662 yards with an average of 7 and a half yards per carry.

J. Marek carried the ball 81 times, gained 586 yards with an average of 7 and one quarter yards per carry. Jimmy is a senior and is playing his last year.

E. Laywell carried the ball 39 times, gained 334 yards or a total of 8 and two thirds yards per carry. This is perhaps the best average of any of the backs.

Paul Burke carried the ball 16 times, gained 152 yards with an av-

erage of 9 and a half yards per carry. L. Michalka carried the ball 14 times, gained a total of 126 yards, or an average of 9 yards per carry. L. W. Turner carried the ball 2 times, gained 10 yards or a total of 5 yards per carry.

YOEMEN WIN EIGHT LOSE ONLY TWO FOR SEASON

Good enough to polish off average season, but not good enough in conference competition, the Yoemen never the less hung up a good record for the season.

In statistics just compiled by Coach Leo Jackson, it is disclosed that the Yoemen scored a total of 216 points against weak and average competition and gave up only 71 points scored against them.

Playing the Taylor Ducks on practically even terms for three quarters and the score tied up 7 to 7, the Yoemen, inexperienced and badly outweighed, caved in and lost in the final quarter 20 to 7. With Killeen it was different. That game came on the heels of the Taylor game. The Yoemen lost 38 to 0 in the poorest exhibition of the season, although had Killeen played Taylor on that night the Ducks would have been just so much soup and the Kangaroos would have gotten their second regional a row.

Coach Jackson recognizes the disadvantage of having to play Taylor and Killeen in a row and may try to do something about it. He is certain to make a stronger intersectional schedule next year to get his team used to hard battles or defeat.

Here is the table of games played and the scores:

Cameron 25, Marlin 0; Cameron 49, Caldwell 0; Cameron 6, Navasota 0; Cameron 27, Georgetown 0; Cameron 25, Granger 0; Cameron 7, Taylor 20; Cameron 0, Killeen 38; Cameron 26, Hearne 7; Cameron 26, Belton 6; Cameron 25, Rosebud 0.

Funeral Services For J. W. Smith Held at San Gabriel Sunday

Funeral services were conducted for J. W. Smith, at San Gabriel, at 2:00 p. m. Sunday, December 16. Burial was made in Taylor.

Mr. Smith died Thursday in Austin. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith of San Gabriel, his wife and three children of Austin, and two sisters; Mrs. James Terry, and Mrs. Sidney Culp of Sharp and a brother, James Arnold Smith.

Mr. Smith served on the police force in Austin. Pall bearers were friends who served on the police force with him.

Edward James Manning, Seaman first class, husband of Mrs. E. J. Manning of Cameron, has received his honorable discharge at Camp Wallace. Manning entered the Naval Service in April of 1944 and has served 14 months in the Asiatic-Pacific theatre during which time he took part in the invasion of the Philippines and in the battle of Okinawa.

Read the want ads each day.

Merry Christmas

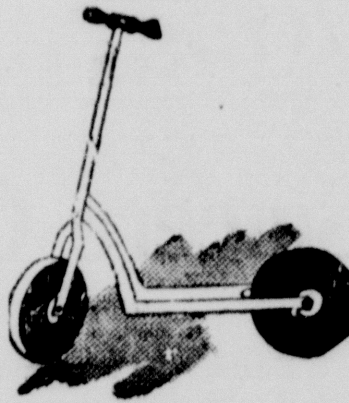
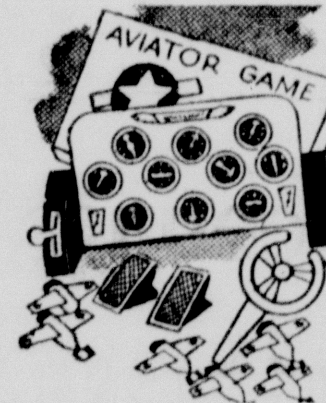
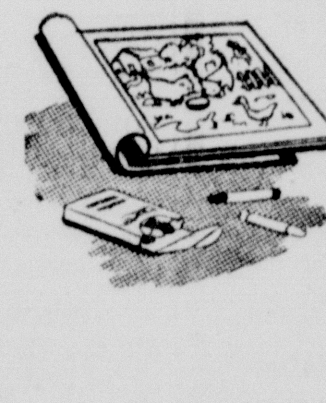
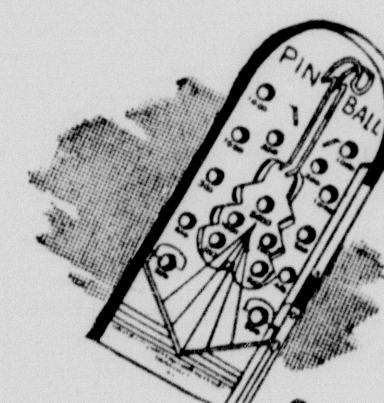
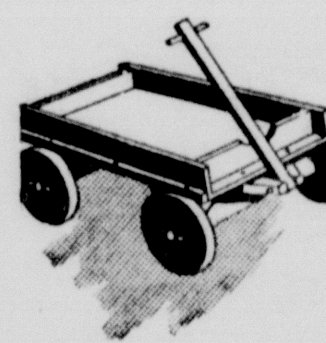


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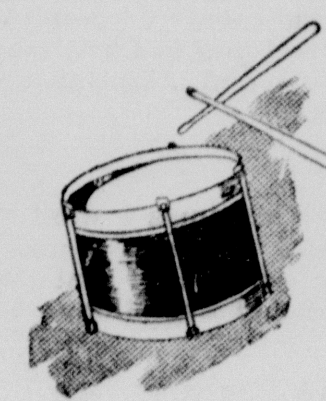
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LT. W. C. (BILL) WALLACE
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Attorney here and leaving his law practice. He is associated with his father, E. A. Wallace, in the practice of law and will return to Cameron after Christmas and New Year holidays, to make his home and to resume his law practice. Mrs. Wallace will come here to make her home. It will be her first visit to Texas which is now to be her home.

Lt. Wallace was assigned to the Army Counter Intelligence Corps. His commander was the late General Millard Harmon, who was lost at sea in a bomber disaster while on a routine flight. During recent months he has been in Manila in the Philippines directly under the Headquarters Command of General MacArthur.

Lt. Wallace was home last August, flying across. He was ordered back to duty and returned to the Philippines. In November he arrived at Hamilton Field in California.

Lt. Wallace is soon to resume his law practice here. One of his novel experiences while in the combat area was the witnessing of the surrender of a Japanese Lieutenant General Fugisuka with 600 of his men, taken in the hills in the Philippine area. General Fugisuka was in the Jap Army Air Corps. He was photographed with Lt. Wallace and other army officers.

Lt. Wallace was on Guadalcanal in 1942 when the first landings were made. He was in the Middle Solomons campaign, also wears the Philippine Liberation medal and has one battle star. Lt. Wallace received a special citation for raising a sunken ship and restoring transportation service in a section of his sea-going duties off the coast of New Guinea.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

A service of Candle Lighting and song will be presented Sunday evening, December 23 at 7:00 o'clock, at the First Presbyterian Church under the direction of Mrs. Harry Tag, with Ladis Marek at the organ. Everyone is invited.

MRS. LOLA HEARRELL
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trict Attorney. She engaged in business here for a number of years and established the Specialty Shop.

She is survived by two children, Jack Hearrell of Gladewater, and Mrs. Thomas Hefley of Austin. One sister, Mrs. Giles L. Avriett of Austin, survives and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Minnie Nell Lewis of Cameron. Grandchildren who survive are: Jack Hearrell, Jr., Nancy Hearrell and Thomas Edwin Hefley.

Pall bearers were Roy Law, Jim Neinast, E. A. Wallace, Roy Baskin, B. F. Bonds, Frank Monroe, Wyatt Wolf, Joe D. Bass, W. O. Triggs and Penn Wolf.

GEORGE FISHER
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2:30 p.m. in Cameron.

H. L. Atkinson of Maysfield, as retiring chairman, has served the government program with distinction during the critical months of the war and has the thanks of the Council as well as the farmers at large over the county.

Mr. Atkinson said that one of the last acts of the retiring War Board was to pass a resolution thanking the following firms for their cooperation during the critical shortage period of farm equipment: Emil Schroeder of Thorndale, Bose Moultry of Rockdale, Will Ondrej of Cameron, August Kunz of Cameron, Cameron Machine Shop, Cameron Cotton Oil Mill and the Thorndale Co-Operative, Thorndale.

Mr. Atkinson, in expressing thanks for the committee, said that these firms had made it possible for the farmers to continue with their equipment when it could not be replaced with new equipment, and for having performed in this manner enabled production to proceed under great handicap.

Mr. Atkinson not only served as Chairman of the Committee for the Agricultural Adjustment Association but was also Chairman of the Farm Board which was set up in support

of the Selective Service System. A large planter, Mr. Atkinson understands farm needs and his services were indispensable to continued operation under war conditions.

WANT-ADS

FOR SALE—New 4-room frame house on corner lot of East Main, large sheet iron garage and other out-buildings. Price \$2250.00. If interested write Mrs. John C. McManus Rt. 7, Box 152, Waco, Tex. (32-3tc)

WANTED—Girls between 17-25 years old with High School education to enter training. Salary and traveling expenses paid while training. Apply local Western Union office. 31-tf

WANTED—Reliable middle age woman to help with work and care for two children. Will pay \$20.00 per week with private room. Call Mrs. R. B. Rylander, phone 320. (34-1tc)

FOR RENT OR LEASE—156 acres of land 3 miles west of Cameron. About half in pasture and half has been cultivated. For particulars call 295. (34-1tp)

FARM FOR SALE—210 acres fine land located 1 mile south from Meeks Store and Gin. Good house, 2 barns, several other buildings, electricity available, plenty water, 2 wells, 2 tanks and creek. About 50 acres permanent pasture, balance very productive land with no dead cotton. Part up-land, balance rich valley land, some Johnson grass. Occupied by Paul Zucha. Very liberal terms to purchaser, or would rent on agreeable basis. Inspect farm, if interested in buying, renting or cash lease. Write or call Franklin Life Insurance Co., 1004 Republic Bank Bldg, Dallas, Texas. (32-4tc)

FOR SALE—20, ten week old registered pigs at reasonable prices. Fine stock. Jos. Slavik, Rt. 1, Cameron. (32-3tp)

FOR SALE—One iron wheel wagon and one 4-inch tire wagon. See John Marak, Rural Rt. 1, Cameron. 33-3tp
Want to lend 50 head of young mules for their feed in 1946. H. L. Atkinson, Maysfield. (33-3tc)

CALL FOR BIDS

The Commissioners Court will receive bids on the purchase of one new tandem drive, power controlled, motor grader with Diesel motor and electric starter weighing approximately 21,000 pounds and equipped with standard sized tires. All bids to be accompanied by Cashier's Check for five per cent of bid. Bids are to be opened at 2:00 P. M. on Friday, the 4th day of January 1946 at the Court House in Cameron, Texas. The Commissioner's Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Please hand or mail sealed bids to Jeff T. Kemp, County Judge, Milam County, Cameron, Texas. (14-2tc)

CANARY BIRDS make ideal Christmas gifts. Phone 9007F-23. (34-1tp)

FOR SALE Massey Harris tractor. 1945 model. See John Gelner. (34-1tp)

USED CARS WANTED—Will buy any make or model. Graben Chevrolet company. 34-tf

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

All the land which I own or have rented in Milam county is being, and will continue to be, poisoned against grasshoppers, insects, and other pests until February 1, 1946. My land is posted according to the requirements of law. The poison will be dangerous to depredating livestock, and I hereby warn that I shall not be responsible for the harm done to any livestock trespassing on my land. Mrs. L. K. Smoot. (32-4tp)

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Killed in Wreck



EDGAR EARL ELMORE

Pfc. Edgar Earl Elmore, discharged veteran of two and a half years combat in the European theatre of war, died in the Cameron Hospital late Thursday, December 13, from injuries sustained around 2 p.m. in a car wreck in Cameron.

MAYSFIELD WOMAN AND WAR VETERAN KILLED

Two are dead and one is critically injured as the result of an automobile accident on highway 36 at the west City limits at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 13, 1945.

The dead are:

EARLINE MCGOLDRICK TAY-

LOR, 21

EDGAR EARL ELMORE, 21.

The injured is:

PAT ROBINSON.

The three occupants of the car were traveling west on Highway 36 when the machine crashed the railing of a bridge.

Mrs. Taylor died before reaching Cameron Hospital and Elmore died at 6 p.m.

Robinson, severely injured, will survive.

Douglas Barron, Deputy Sheriff, went to the scene of the wreck shortly after the car crashed the bridge. The machine was badly wrecked.

Mrs. Taylor suffered broken bones, internal injuries and cuts and was dead when the ambulance reached the hospital.

Elmore, overseas war veteran, recently discharged, suffered a broken left leg at the thigh and his head was badly mangled, both jaws being broken and his face badly cut. He died at 6 p.m., just four hours after the wreck.

Robinson, a brother of Mrs. Valon Fogle of Cameron, suffered severe shock and possible internal injuries, but will recover.

Mrs. Earline McGoldrick Taylor of Maysfield was born October 2, 1926. She was the daughter of Mrs. Ida Seaton of Maysfield and Tommy McGoldrick of Cameron, who survive. Her husband, Joe Taylor, is in the army and now serving overseas.

Funeral services were held by Rev. Henry Bailey, pastor of the Maysfield Presbyterian Church at 3 p.m., Friday, December 14, at the Baptist Church at Little River and interment was made in the Little River church cemetery with the Green Funeral Home here directing arrangements.

Edgar Earl Elmore, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Elmore of Milano, spent two and a half years in combat in the European Theatre of war and was discharged from the service on October 8, 1945. He had been in the army for five years.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. W. Sanders, pastor of First Baptist Church in Cameron, at 3 p.m. Friday, December 14, at the Milano Baptist Church. Interment was made in the Milano cemetery with the Green Funeral Home directing arrangements.

Elmore is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Elmore of Milano, and is their third and last son to die. Five sisters survive as follows: Mrs. Katie Franks of Houston, Gladys Elmore of Rockdale, Mrs. Ray Miller, Jewel and Estelle Elmore of Milano.

22 Degrees in City Early Wednesday

The lowest temperature of the year and the coldest weather that December has recorded for several years forecast a frigid Christmas and there were indications that snow might fall.

The official reading here Wednesday was 22 degrees. Continued cold with hard freezes were forecast for Thursday and Friday with temperatures rising slightly by Saturday.

Guy E. Chandler has received his discharge from the Army Air Corps. He served over two years in the service and spent seven months of this time in the European Theatre of War. He served as a gunner on a B-17. He was stationed at Wichita Falls since last June as a postal clerk.

LETTERS TO

SANTA CLAUS

— FROM —

MILAM COUNTY CHILDREN

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl in the second grade. Please bring me a rocker, gloves, color book, and don't forget the other children.

With love,

Janis Ann Jistel.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl four years old. Please bring me a doll, and a book, And bring the poor children some things.

With love,

Lucille Jo Jistel.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl in the third grade. Please bring me a story book, gloves, note book paper, and don't forget the poor children.

With love,

Ethel Mae Jistel.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a telephone and a blackboard, and some nuts, fruit and candy.

Patricia Hertenberger.

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. I like school very much. Please bring me a telephone, a pair of socks, and a dress. If you can bring me a ball, a little candy, fruits and nuts.

With love,

Joyce Josephine Hertenberger.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 8 years old and in the third grade. I want you to please bring me a doll and a doll trunk, some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget other boys and girls.

Your friend,

Billie Jean Lagrone.

Milano, Texas.

Homer Allen is a patient in the Newton Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Evans visited their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Evans, in Austin Tuesday.

Recent Buckholts Bride Honored With Shower

On December 9 a tea and shower honoring Mrs. Henry W. Rubach, a recent bride, was given by Mrs. Fred Gresak at her home in Buckholts.

Yupon decorations were featured in the room where the guests were received. The gifts were displayed during the hours from two to five o'clock in the afternoon.

Miss Tillie Tomascik presided at the bride's book. Mrs. John Chudej and Miss Tressie Tomascik served refreshments from a lace-covered table in the dining room. Plate favors bore the inscription, "Keep the home fires burning, Agnes and Henry."

Mrs. Rubach is the former Agnes Kohut, who was married to Henry W. Rubach in Caldwell on November 20. They will make their home in Houston.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.



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During the long months of the War in the Pacific I feel sure that thoughts of Home and Friends were uppermost in our minds and hearts and to be back a civilian again is a pleasure I cherish above all things at this Happy Season of the Year.

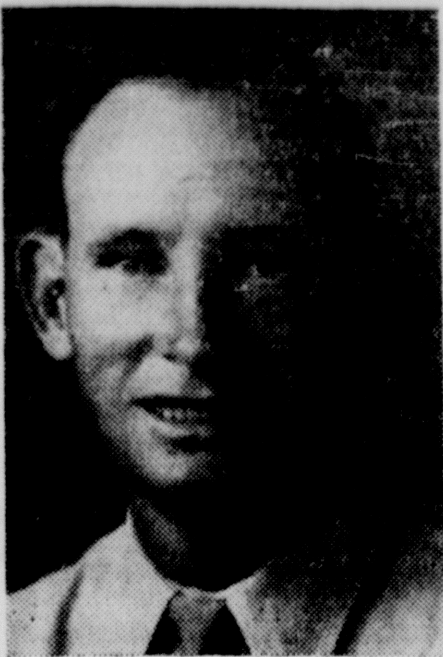
The long months of sacrifice in the war have increased my devotion to the way of life that is America and no where on earth can a man be so free and live so fully as in his home town and country. I deeply appreciate the privilege to again greet you at Christmas time and to renew the friendships and Associations that compute life's greater assets.

When you are observing Christmas I want you to know that my best wishes will be with you and every day in the New Year my sincere wish is that you will be happy and enjoying the best of everything.

W. C. 'Bill' Wallace



Receives Discharge



SGT. I. W. LUCE

Sgt. I. W. Luce who has been in the Army Air Corps for the past three years, received his basic training at Salt Lake City, Utah; Carlisle, New Mexico, and Denver, Colorado. Sgt. Luce is the son of Mrs. Delta Luce of Cameron. He and his wife reside in Douglas, Arizona, where he recently arrived after receiving his honorable discharge from the service.

SGT. HAIRSTON

(continued from page one) formerly of F Company, 259th Infantry for heroism at Fralautern, turned to the states," the story concludes.

Sgt. Hairston was awarded the Silver Star, second highest decoration of the Army, for an act of heroism on March 10, 1945. Sgt. Hairston led a patrol across the Saar River in Germany. He volunteered and led the

4-man unit across the river in daylight. They captured 12 Germans and brought them back. The mission was to capture Germans and bring them back for questioning.

His division suffered severe losses but wrote one of the most brilliant "Sgt. Hairston has already been re-chapters in the history of World War II.

Sgt. Hairston is especially proud of the following citation which came from his great commander, General George S. Patton:

"Technical Sergeant JOSEPH W. HAIRSTON, 38147344, Company L, 261st Infantry Regiment, 65th Infantry Division, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in GERMANY. On 7 April 1945, during an enemy tank-infantry attack at STRUTH, GERMANY, Sergeant HAIRSTON gallantly exposed himself at great risk to deadly hostile grenade and rocket fire in order to thwart an attempted seizure of his company command post. Finding that an adjacent company was pinned down by withering enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant HAIRSTON advanced through the enemy fire and eliminated the hostile crew with point-blank sub-machine gun fire. Later in the same action, he gallantly braved both enemy and friendly fire to seek out and lead to safety a besieged group of his comrades and their prisoners. Sergeant HAIRSTON'S heroic, intrepid actions and unflinching devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

By command of General PATTON."

BRAZOS OFFICIALS ASK ARMY FOR POWER DAM

WASHINGTON.—Officials of the Brazos river reclamation and conservation district of Texas asked army engineers today to approve their request to operate the hydroelectric power plant at the proposed Whitney dam near Waco, Texas.

At a special meeting in the office of Chairman Mansfield (D-Tex) of the house rivers and harbors committee, R. D. Collins, manager of the district, and John D. McCall, attorney, discussed the matter with Lieut. Gen. Raymond A. Wheeler, chief of army engineers. Other Texas members of congress participated in the meeting.

McCall said the district is willing to pay for the power plant facilities, which would be \$3,000,000 of the overall \$20,000,000 estimated cost. The district would assume the operating costs estimated at \$150,000 annually, and in return would receive revenues. He said the district is a state agency and receipts go into the state's general fund.

General Wheeler pointed out that under the flood control act authorizing construction of the dam, its power plant would be turned over to the Interior department for operation. Those at the hearing, however, expressed belief he would not oppose any legislation that might be considered to amend or modify the flood control legislation.

Mansfield and Rep. Poage (D-Tex) said the whole matter still is under study and that some kind of measure probably will be introduced in the house early next year to authorize the proposed change.

Collins and McCall both expressed satisfaction over the conference. They expressed confidence the Federal Works administration soon would allocate \$60,000 to the district to be used in completing engineering studies for dams proposed for construction at Inspiration and Turkey points, on the Brazos in Palo Pinto county, and on the Leon and Lampasas rivers, Brazos tributaries, in Bell county.

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Thousands say famous doctor's discovery gives blessed relief from irritation of the bladder caused by excess acidity in the urine

Why suffer needlessly from backache, run-down feeling from excess acidity in the urine? Just try DR. KILMER'S SWAMP ROOT, the renowned herbal medicine. SWAMP ROOT acts fast on the kidneys to promote the flow of urine and relieve troublesome excess acidity. Originally created by a practicing physician, Dr. Kilmer's is a carefully blended combination of 16 herbs, roots, vegetables, balsams. Absolutely nothing harsh or habit-forming in this pure, scientific preparation. Just good ingredients that quickly act on the kidneys to increase the flow of urine and ease the uncomfortable symptoms of bladder irritation.

Send for free, prepaid sample TODAY! Like thousands of others you'll be glad that you did. Send name and address to Department B, Kilmer & Co., Inc., Box 1255, Stamford, Conn. Offer limited. Send at once. All druggists sell Swamp Root.

Is Decorated By the Navy



Augustine J. Marek, Aviation Machinist's Mate second class is shown being awarded a special navy Commendation Ribbon for participating in 15 vital and hazardous photographic reconnaissance missions over Jap bases in the central Pacific.

The 22-year-old blue jacket, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe J. Marek of Buckholts, was gunner on a Navy Liberator.

Marek enlisted in October of 1942, and received his basic training at Green Lake, Illinois. From there he was sent to Memphis, Tenn., to a machinists school. He attended a gunnery school in Purcell, Oklahoma, where he received his promotion to Aviation Machinist's Mate first class. He also trained in Florida, and Los Angeles, California.

In June 1944 he sailed for the Central Pacific, where he saw much action on Guam, Saipan, and other islands in the Pacific.

The decoration is being made by Commander Robert C. Bengston, USN, in a ceremony at the U. S. Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Camp Kearney, near San Diego.

Leland Green, Jr., who has been confined to his bed for ten weeks is reported to be improving, though unable to be out.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene F. Blake and young son have moved to Hearne to make their home. Mr. Blake recently received his discharge from the Service where he served as Captain in the African-Italian theatre of operations. He has resumed his duties with the Southern-Pacific Railroad, with headquarters in Hearne. Mrs. Blake and son made their home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Blake, while her husband was overseas.

Travel, education, career and security are yours when you become a member of the Regular Army. Enlist today

ACTS ON THE KIDNEYS

To increase flow of urine and relieve irritation of the bladder from excess acidity in the urine

Are you suffering unnecessary distress, backache, run-down feeling and discomfort from excess acidity in the urine? Are you disturbed nights by a frequent desire to pass water? Then you should know about that famous doctor's discovery — DR. KILMER'S SWAMP ROOT — that thousands say gives blessed relief. Swamp Root is a carefully blended combination of 16 herbs, roots, vegetables, balsams. Dr. Kilmer's is not harsh or habit-forming in any way. Many people say its marvelous effect is truly amazing.

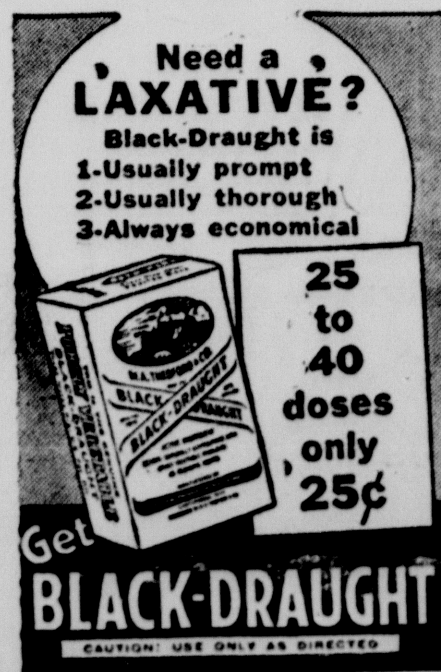
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Relief At Last For Your Cough

Creomulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly relieves the cough or you are to have your money back.

CREOMULSION

For Coughs, Chest Colds, Bronchitis



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December 20, 1945

THE CAMERON HERALD—7

BOB H. NABOURS HERE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Bob H. Nabours, Warrant Officer, Canadian army, is in Cameron to spend the Christmas Holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Nabours.

Bob has rounded out his fifth year in the service of the Canadian government and at present is in charge of the radio station in Montreal which is an army station but handles all government communications. In his boyhood days in Cameron he turned to radio and became an authority. When he went into the Canadian service he was assigned to radio duty and at first was engaged in monitor work, later devoting his entire time to army communications.

He married Miss Yvette Trempe in Montreal. She did not come to Texas at this time, remaining in their Montreal home.

While he has two more years in the service of the Canadian army he is taking time off for schooling, hoping soon to have a degree in engineering.

The Canadian government has been greatly more liberal in its GI Bill of Rights for the men who served during the war. Bob H. will go to school eventually at government expense, and will receive gratuities from the government in addition.

As chief in the Montreal radio station he has now a fine position and this assignment denotes the progress he has made and the fine record he has made in the Canadian army.

Each year a soldier serves in the Regular Army add to his future security.

A soldier's job is one of constant variety, enjoyable experiences, pleasant associations, and broad outlook.

We don't experiment with your radio—we repair it—you pay less for your service. Any make radio. Parma Radio Service.

COMMUNITY PARTY

The Future Homemaking Club of Sharp high school is sponsoring a Community Party at the Sharp gymnasium, Friday night, December 21, at 7:00 P. M. Everyone is invited.

Friends will be happy to know that Mrs. Ray Westbrook has returned to her home in Cameron after being in Scott and White Hospital in Temple for two weeks. She is reported to be improving rapidly.

HA 2c Carroll Green, who is with the Separation Center at Norman, Oklahoma, spent a day with his wife and family.

Pvt. and Mrs. Augie Ciriello of Madison, New Jersey, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Malone.

Building Materials Are Now Available

We have set up our plant at the Lamkin Pit at Marlow and can furnish pit run materials for building.

In a few days our washing plant will be in operation and we will then be in position to furnish several types of material and with the convenience of a loading rack at the pit.

LUMPKIN & EARL

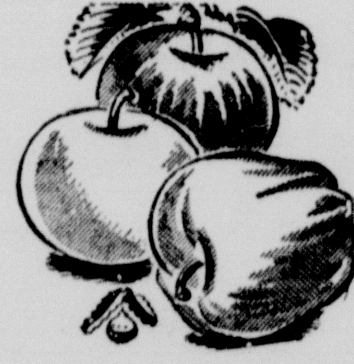
ROCKDALE, TEXAS

OFFICE AT THE PIT

SAVE ON YOUR CHRISTMAS Purchases SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK'S SELLING

We have Cameron's finest line of fine Fancy Fruits and Vegetables, Fine Foods, Candies, Cocoanuts, Cranberries, Fancy

Dates and many hard-to-get things to eat. All specially priced for your early shopping. Shop Early!



The Finest of Meats for Xmas

Fresh Chesapeake Bay OYSTERS, pint

18c

Finest Sour or Dill PICKLES, gallon

98c

Bewley's Best FLOUR, 50-lb. bag

\$2.25

Bewley's Fine Anchor FLOUR, 50-lb. bag

\$2.15

Now Let's Fix up the Poultry

A solid car of Bewley's Laying Mash, 100-lb. sacks

\$2.15

25-lb. bags Table Salt

29c

Blue Anchor Mash, plain bags only

\$2.15

50-lb. blocks of Salt

49c



MANY FINE TOYS GO AT LESS THAN HALF PRICE. SAVE!

GREEN & BOEDEKER

Across From Postoffice

Cameron, Texas

A Lone Wolf TRIES TO TAME A PISTOL PACKIN' Spitfire! ...and a 'boom-boom' town gets a brand new adventure!



A woman's arms were weapons this time. Trouble shooter didn't understand!

JOHN WAYNE ELLA RAINES

TALL IN THE SADDLE

WARD BOND GEORGE HAYES AUDREY LONG ELISABETH RISDON DON DOUGLAS

ROBERT FELLOW LOWMYER MARIN



MILAM THEATRE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23

She'd rather be kissed than CROWNED

The Princess gets her wish—and it's a right royal romantic riot!

HEDY LAMARR
ROBERT WALKER
JUNE ALLYSON

Her Highness and the Bellboy

CARL ESMOND • AGNES MOOREHEAD • "RAGS" RAGLAND

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MILAM THEATRE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23

MRS. AGNES BEHAL DIED IN CAMERON FRIDAY

Mrs. Agnes Behal, 67, a native of Czechoslovakia, died at 11 a.m., Friday, December 14 in Cameron Hospital. She had been ill for about one week.

Mrs. Behal has no relatives in Cameron. She had been living quietly in her room at a local residence since she retired from business. Her store was located at the Southern Pacific crossing on Highway 36 for several years.

Funeral arrangements were pending. It was thought they will be held early Saturday, December 15. She was a member of St. Monica's Catholic church.

Lt. Julian Terry is With McLane Company

Lt. Julian Terry, whose record as a Glider Pilot was one of the best in the army air corps, has been returned to civilian life and has accepted a place with the McLane Company in Cameron.

Terry made a good record in the Glider Corps. It was an entirely new branch of aviation on the scale to which the army directed its goal.

Shortly after he received his wings Lt. Terry was made an instructor and continued in important training activities throughout the war.

During a recent furlough from duty he spoke to the Rotary Club in Cameron, bringing an interesting discussion of his activities. The program was sponsored by Henry Patillo.

Pfc. James M. Terry, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Terry of Cameron, has arrived in Japan, where he is serving with the 808th Engineer Battalion.

T-4 F. A. Bunt, son of John Bunt of Cameron, will soon arrive at his home. Bunt is one of the high point Army veterans who came back to the States aboard the USS Marine Adder. He will go directly to the Separation Center nearest his home where he will receive his honorable discharge.

Mr. and Mrs. John Prude and son have returned from a few days visit with relatives and friends in Colorado City.

Marie Ford of Olathe, Kansas, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ford.

Court House News

MARRIAGES

Thomas A. Rowsey, Jr., and Velma Louise Reese.
W. O. Hamilton and Melinda Harn.
J. A. Bailey and Evelyn Jenne Dusek.
Ruperta Garcia and Leonor Rodriguez.
Jose Reyes and Tomasa Gonzales.
Lloyd M. Praesel and Estella Arledge.
Robert Walker and Ruth Frost.
Jonah Washington and Johnnie B. Moore.

DEEDS

Dan W. Robbin to Lee Young, 122 1-5 acres of the William Pharris survey, \$3,500.00.
E. L. Rutherford et ux, to C. O. Towery, Lots Nos. 6, 7, 8 and west half of Lot No. 50 of Block No. 30 of City of Rockdale, \$4,500.00.
Mrs. Rosa Belle Kurtz et vir, to Mrs. Ella Crain, Lot No. 7 in Block No. 133 in City of Rockdale, in the D. A. Thompson grant, \$200.00.
Mount Zion Baptist Church to Mary Tindale a part of the south half of Block No. 10 to the Marie Michalk addition to Town of Thorndale, \$35.00.
City of Rockdale to A. A. McVoy, a part of Block No. 35 in the D. A. Thompson survey, in the Alonzo Wilson lands, \$125.00.
J. C. Burke et ux to Mrs. Edna Leonard, parcel of land in Cameron in the D. Monroe grant, \$2,500.00.
D. R. McQuary et al to W. R. Hines, 70 acres of the D. Mumford survey, \$3,000.00.
Tom Machann et ux to Albert W. Zajicek, Lots Nos. 9 and 10 in Block No. 33 in Town of Buckholts, \$4,700.00.
C. R. Bell et ux to Mrs. Frank W. Perrin, lot or parcel of land in the D. Monroe grant in City of Cameron, \$10.00 an other good and valuable considerations.
Louisa Marie Hollis et al to Coy C. Arlege, 203 1-4 acres in the James Reed league, \$3,500.00.

Roy Spence et ux to Jim Eads et al, Lot 75 feet x 106 feet in the Wm. Allen grant, \$10.00.

Mrs. Lillie Rhodes to E. L. Rutherford, Lots Nos 3 and 4 in Block No. 29 in the Wm. Allen grant in City of Rockdale, \$4,600.00.

Robert E. Smith et ux to Frank Haley et ux, part of Block No. 32 in the Smith-Ackerman and Green addition to City of Rockdale, \$4,500.00.

Emma Baca et vir to Adolf Richter, 60.6 acres of the James Reed survey, \$2,600.00.

Mrs. Miltia Hollinsworth to R. E. Key, Lots Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 in Block No. 4 of the Lester Addition to City of Cameron, \$500.00.

Roy Yates et ux to Oliver Whitfield et ux, 12 acres of the A. G. Perry league, \$10.00.

They're so wonderful together!

EDWARD G. ROBINSON • **MARGARET O'BRIEN**

Our Vines Have Tender Grapes

with **JAMES CRAIG** • **FRANCES GIFFORD**
An **M-G-M** Picture
Agnes MOOREHEAD • CARNOVSKY

and **JACKIE "BUTCH" JENKINS**
Screen Play by Dalton Trumbo • Based on the book "For Our Vines Have Tender Grapes" by George Victor Martin • Directed by ROY ROWLAND • Produced by ROBERT SISK

CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
DECEMBER 20 and 21

LEAVE US FACE IT! 32 STARS
Make Radio's Not Show a Musical Mirthquake On The Screen!

Imagine the Biggest Star-Party in Hollywood... with Archie as Master of Confusion!

It's a Musical Mirthquake!

Starring **BING CROSBY**, **BETTY HUTTON**, **PAULLETTE GODDARD**, **ALAN LADD**, **DOROTHY LAMOUR**, **EDDIE BRACKEN**, **BRYAN DONLEVY**, **VERONICA LUTTS**, **ARTURO DE CORDOVA**, **BARRY FITZGERALD**, **CASS DALEY**, **DIANA LYNN**, **MARJORIE REYNOLDS**, **BARRY SULLIVAN**, **ED GARDNER**

ED GARDNER'S "DUFFY'S TAVERN"

THE CAMERON THEATRE
SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 23 and 24

OIL AND GAS LEASES

M. G. Cox et ux to F. W. Wilson, 116 acres of the Clay league and J. J. Acosta grant, \$10.00.
J. W. Bailey et als to W. F. Glenn, 50 acres of the Jose Leal league, \$15.00.
W. E. Gaither et ux to W. F. Glenn 100 acres of the Jose Leal grant \$10.
James Henry Angell, Jr., et ux to W. R. Deskin, 87.62 acres of the Jose Leal grant, \$10.00.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

DOG NOTICE

A brindle gyp disappeared from my home Sunday night, and has not been seen since. Her actions indicate she may be mad. Please look for her and notify me at once. If she has hydrophobia we would want her head to send to Austin. Notify Andy Armstrong.

The Regular Army has a big job to do—and the Regular Army has a good job for you! Now is the time to make it your career! Enlist today



Cameron Theatre

Saturday, December 22

"WILDFIRE"

Bob Steele and Sterling Holloway

Sunday and Monday, December 23 and 24

"DUFFY'S TAVERN"

All Star Cast

Tuesday, December 25

"TOO YOUNG TO KNOW"

Joan Leslie and Robert Hutton

Wednesday, December 26

"NONE BUT THE LONELY HEART"

Cary Grant and Diana Barrymore

Thursday and Friday, December 27 and 28

"RHAPSODY IN BLUE"

Joan Leslie and Paul Whiteman

Saturday, December 29

"MEN IN HER DIARY"

Jon Hall and Louise Allbritton

Sunday and Monday, December 30 and 31

"HER HIGHNESS AND THE BELLBOY"

Hedy Lamarr and Robert Walker

Tuesday, January 1

"GEORGE WHITE'S SCANDALS"

Jack Haley and Joan Davis

Wednesday, January 2

"EASY TO LOOK AT"

Gloria Jean and Kirby Grant

Thursday and Friday, January 3 and 4

"FALLEN ANGEL"

Alice Faye and Dana Andrews

Saturday, January 5

"RADIO STARS ON PARADE"

Alan Carney and Wally Brown

Milam Theatre

Friday and Saturday, December 21 and 22

"MARKED FOR MURDER"

Tex Ritter

Friday and Saturday, December 28 and 29

"BLAZING WESTERN TRAILS"

Charles Starrett

Friday and Saturday, January 4 and 5

"PHANTOM OF THE PLAINS"

Bill Elliott

Sunday, December 23

"TALL IN THE SADDLE"

John Wayne and Ella Raines

Sunday, December 30

"PRINCESS AND THE PIRATE"

Bob Hope

• The Princess Was Pinched... and Loved It!

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AN **M-G-M** HIT!

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PRODUCED BY ROBERT SISK

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John WAYNE and **Ella RAINES**

When this trouble-shooting Woman-hater finds a gun-toting Spitfire terrorizing a town...

HE GOES OUT TO GET HER!

TALL IN THE SADDLE

Based on Gordon Ray Young's rip-roaring Saturday Evening Post Serial

with **WARD BOND** • **GEORGE "BABY" HAYES**
AUDREY LONG • **ELISABETH RISDON**
DON DOUGLAS

Produced by **ROBERT FELLOWS** • **EDWIN L. MARIN**
Screen Play by **MICHAEL ROGAN** & **PAUL F. FIE**

THE CAMERON THEATRE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23

Tuberculosis Seal Idea Originated In Copenhagen

Sale in America Resulted in
Big Life Saving.

It was a busy afternoon just before Christmas in 1903 and piles upon piles of holiday letters and packages were pouring through the post office in Copenhagen. A postal clerk, Einar Holboell, expertly handled the letters and packages, and as he did so, he pondered an idea which was to have great effect upon the destiny of millions of people in the world.

This idea of Holboell's was to mark the beginning of one of the strangest wars ever fought—a war in which human lives were to be saved, not sacrificed; in which homes have been saved, not bombed; one in which there can be no armistice, no peace treaty. For the world-wide war against tuberculosis is a total war and final victory will come only with the complete eradication of the ancient enemy which for centuries has been the cause of more deaths than any conflict or pestilence in history.

By 1907 the Danish Christmas Seals were appearing on letters to people in America. Jacob Riis, whom Theodore Roosevelt once called "America's most useful citizen," published an article "The Christmas Stamp,"

which set people in this country to thinking about what they could do with the idea. They thought the story good, but they pondered that the problem was too great for a penny stamp.

Late in the autumn of 1907, Emily Bissell, a young public health worker in Wilmington, Del., became concerned about the fate of a little sanatorium on the Brandywine river. She asked for assistance, but those that could give always replied in the negative with the postscript that she should not waste the money.

In her blackest moment, Emily Bissell recalled the article written



by Jacob Riis, and sat down to design the first Christmas seal for America. With new design in hand, Miss Bissell set out to get help in putting her plan across. She encountered trouble from those that could afford to help. Finally she took her design to a small printer who agreed to wait for his pay. She talked with the postal clerks and they said that they would assist if the people would be advised that the penny stamp would not carry anything—that it was purely ornamental.

The printer turned out 50,000 of the stamps—the people of Delaware had begun to hear about tuberculosis—and a Christmas Seal table was set up in the Wilmington post office, and the first Christmas Seal sale in America was under way.

Reprobatus Becomes St. Christopher— Answers Christ's Call

Reprobatus was a young giant whose heathen philosophies prompted him to desert one master after another whenever he found a master stronger than the one he then served.

Noticing that the mighty Pharaoh feared Satan, Reprobatus deserted Pharaoh to serve Satan; perceiving that the Devil himself was startled by the cross, he left the services of Satan and went in search of Christ.

When he refused to pray, he was commanded to do penance and given the task of carrying travelers across a deep river.

On Christmas Eve a voice called for Reprobatus and, answering the summons, he found a very small child waiting to be carried across the river. When he had placed the little one upon his shoulder, the burden of his weight nearly bowed Reprobatus to the ground.

"You are, indeed, as heavy as the world," declared Reprobatus.

"I created the world," replied the child, "I redeemed the world and I bear the sins of the world."

Reprobatus was no longer a heathen giant; he was Christofera, the bearer of Christ: as St. Christopher, he is the Goliath of the Saints, patron saint of all travelers: his emblem is a palm stem which Christ bade him thrust into the soil—wherefore the date palm is said to blossom and bear fruit at Christmas time.

Christmas

BY KEENER R. ISBELL
Pastor First Methodist Church

This card is sent you, at this recurrent Christmas and New Year's season to voice again for you and yours the old time greeting of friendliness and good will. Our swift-passing earthly life is made beautiful by its friendships. No human treasures can countervail one's friends.

May this joyful Season be the occasion for our most grateful reminiscence, and for our renewed devotion to home and friends and all the higher claims of life. May we turn away from the confusion of contentions voice, to catch again the message of the angel-choir: "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace Good Will Toward Men;" and may we henceforth seek, with our mightiest devotion, to make this message the universal anthem of mankind.

As we pause for a moment, at this Holy Season, before passing to the days and duties ahead, may we be highly resolved to forget all that we should not remember, and remember all that we should not forget. May our coming days be crowned with a finer insight, a saner judgment, a more thoughtful consideration, a more passionate sincerity, a more granite loyalty, a more practical serviceableness. Let us know how to meet disappointment without resentment, and to be tolerant without being arrogant or unfaithful, remembering that clear thinking is blurred by bitterness and intolerance and prejudice.

May we labor unceasingly to bring all the happiness we can to others, and to bring them no unhappiness, foreseeing that when we come to life's last earthly hour, it will not be our kindness or patience or benevolence that we shall regret, but our harshness and neglect and unfaith. Likewise, let us know that we do not have to be rich, or highplaced, or powerful, to be happy and to make others hap-

py, but the secret is in persistent words and deeds of invincible good will; and that it is a paradox of life that by hoarding love and happiness and any and every talent, we lose them, and that only by giving them away can we keep them for ourselves.

Whether our journey shall continue among dangerous rocks or in calm of the open sea, let us gladly choose

that He who came to give us the more abundant life, shall decide for us how much of prosperity and happiness we may safely have; and if He must chasten us, may He graciously remember how little we can bear alone. May we be utterly unwilling to fortify ourselves with a fleeting happiness, and miss the enduring joys. May we wisely discern that the supreme disaster is to sacrifice the things that the world eternal attend all the problems and duties of the world temporal.

For men not now in the Army—Go to your local U S Army recruiting office. See the recruiting officer and ask him to explain the many advantages that will be yours when you join the Regular Army.

Chester Cameron of Austin was in Cameron on business Monday.

Phone your news items to 282.

For MORE TIRE Miles

There is a DIFFERENCE in REPAIRING and RECAPPING

Positive Mechanical Pressure Insures Perfect Circle. Balanced Recaps

All electric; no heat variation or steam to "Blow" your tires

No sidewall heat or distortion; sidewalls float free from any contact with heat or pressure

O.K. Rubber Welders Complete TIRE Service W. C. PEMBERTON PHONE 35

December 20, 1945

THE CAMERON HERALD—9

HUGO ROESLER DIED IN AUSTIN EARLY MONDAY

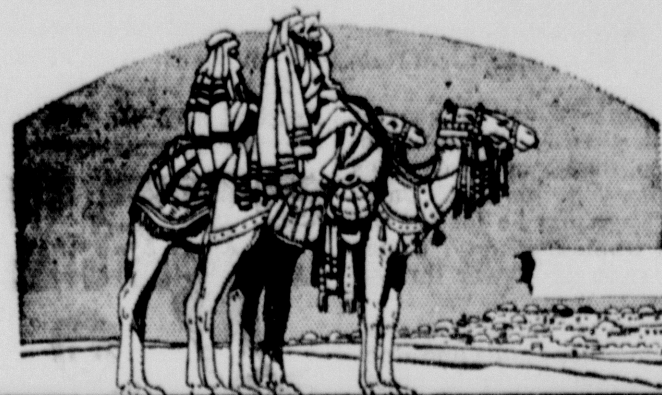
Hugo Roesler, former resident of this county, died in Austin early Monday.

Mr. Roesler had been in Austin for several years in a hospital. His family

was notified early Monday of his death.

It was understood that funeral services might be held in Austin. He is survived by a brother, Emil Roesler, of Ben Arnold.

We don't experiment with your radio—we repair it—you pay less for your service. Any make radio. Parma Radio Service.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

While it is true we only recently acquired this fine Humble Service Station, we are mighty proud of the fact that the customers remained loyal to us and we have shown an increased number who appreciate the service we are rendering.

Therefore it is with more than the average of gratitude that we send these Christmas Greetings to you and to wish for you a Happy New Year.

To each of our friends we send this warm, personal greeting. We are looking forward to serving you through the New Year 1946

Darwin's Humble Service Station

PHONE 328

202 NORTH FANNIN



GIFTS

We have always solved your gift problem at Christmas. So why not drop in and let us suggest something, or better still, come in and look over these extremely fine gifts. Practical things make for lasting remembrance. It is a delight to suggest:

Perfumes
Colognes
Toilet Sets
Perfume Sets
Bill Folds
Coffee Makers
Brush Sets, Women
Christmas Cards

Body Powders
Toilet Waters
Compacts
Shaving Sets
Xmas Cigarettes
Decorations
Brush Sets, Men
Pipe Tobaccos

A thousand things we could name, but you know the reputation of this store for quality things at Christmas time. Just a few more days until Christmas. Shop early. We will be open evenings.

Dusek Pharmacy

PHONE NO. 2

"WE HAVE IT"



A Merry Christmas

It is indeed a heart warming experience to again be at home, to see my friends and to know that the terrible war with all its sacrifices is behind us.

It seems a long time to me since I last sent you Holiday Greetings in this manner. Each Christmas I thought of you. There were times when no man knew what might befall him but a Kind Providence saw me through. Since my return from the European War Theatre I have seen many of my friends but circumstances have

been such that I could not greet all personally.

In this way I hope to greet each one and to express my appreciation for the privilege of renewing friendships and associations at Christmas time.

May your Christmas be a Merry one and the New Year bring you Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

W. A. "Bill" Morrison

Christmas Plant Was Named for U. S. Diplomat

Poinsettia Brought Here From Mexico Adopted As Christmas Plant.

Poinsettias which have come to be a "must" for home Christmas decorations owe their name and popularity to an early American diplomat, botanist and scholar—Joel Roberts Poinsett.

Nearly a century and a quarter ago, Poinsett, then U. S. ambassador to Mexico, first brought cuttings of the "fire plant" to his South Carolina home. Carefully he tended the transplanted tropical beauty. Under his skillful hands the flower thrived and improved.

Soon the fame of this colorful new plant spread to other states and Robert Buist, a Philadelphia botanist, bought some cuttings from Poinsett. He named them euphorbia poinsettia.

Since that day enthusiasts not only in the United States but throughout the world have continued to improve the poinsettia, until today there are a score of varieties from giant six-foot stalks to diminutive dwarfs, double and single varieties, green poinsettias with red veins, white varieties and a gradation of reds from the traditional flaming scarlets to pale pinks.

Besides serving as ambassador to Mexico, Poinsett was a member of congress from South Carolina and served as secretary of war in President Van Buren's cabinet. He was a personal friend of Presidents Madison, Monroe, Jackson and Van Buren.

New Amsterdam Dutch Brought Santa Claus Across With Them

The American version of Santa Claus was found chiefly in New York until a paper in that city published the poem we know as "Twas the Night Before Christmas," then it spread rapidly over the whole country and now every community has a similar legend.

It all began about 300 years ago. When the Dutch boys and girls first came to America in the early 17th century, and settled in New Amsterdam, they brought Sinter



The Dutch "Sinter Klaas" from whom our Santa Claus descends represents the bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, who was noted for his charity and goodness. In the Dutch pageants, Sinter Klaas rides on a white horse, accompanied by his servant "Black Piet."

Klaas with them, and Sinter Klaas Eve was still their most important day. After a time, the English took Amsterdam from the Dutch and named it New York.

Many years before this, the English had had a Saint Nicholas celebration. In the English celebration, the choir boys elected a boy bishop and for a week boys went around the town begging gifts, but these festivities had been stopped by royal decree. When the English took over New York, the Dutch boys and girls kept right on celebrating Sinter Klaas day in spite of the English laws. Later Norwegian and Belgian children who settled in and near New York, also celebrated the day in a similar manner. It wasn't long before English boys and girls wanted to receive gifts. Since they already were celebrating Christ's birthday on December 25, they chose that day as the one on which to exchange gifts. The English children called Sinter Klaas Santa Claus.

As more and more people of different nationalities came to America, each added its bit to the celebration of Santa Claus day. From the Norwegians came his reindeer, the Italians gave us the custom of hanging up our stockings and so on. The regal figure of Sinter Klaas slowly changed to the fat, jolly Santa Claus of today.

Reason for Eight Reindeers
Have you ever stopped to think why St. Nicholas drives eight reindeer instead of one? You haven't? Well, let's pause for a moment and figure it out.

St. Nicholas is a mythical character, he rides in a mythical sleigh, carries a mythical bag, and drives mythical reindeer. The creators of St. Nicholas knew that one reindeer would do the job, but in order to make the character more impressive and longer remembered, they hitched a matched unit of eight to the sleigh.

Davis-Ethridge Marriage Rites Read In Houston

Miss Vivian Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis of Rogers, and Johnnie Ethridge of Cameron were united in marriage in a single-ring ceremony Dec. 1 at 9 p.m. by Rev. J. M. Kemp at the Walker Avenue Baptist Church in Houston.

The bride wore an aqua dress with pink and brown accessories. Her corsage of pink arnations.

Attending the couple were Mrs. Walter Baker and V. M. Hughes.

Mrs. Ethridge is a graduate of Rosebud high school and for the past

four years has been employed as manager of a dairy store in Houston.

Mr. Ethridge has recently received his discharge from the army after serving three years. He spent two years overseas.

After a wedding trip to Waynesville, Mo., the couple will make their home at 1501 Gustav in Houston. — Temple Telegram.

Tommy Brock has received his honorable discharge from the Army. He served six years in the Army and 22 months of that time was spent overseas. He is the son of Tom Brock of Cameron.

Mrs. Chas. Smith and Shirley spent the weekend in Houston with her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Schuhsler.

NEW COLD WAVE

Weather forecasts at noon said that colder weather is due here Tuesday night and Wednesday. Rising temperatures and sunshine Tuesday brought hopes of fairer weather. It was predicted that cloudy skies would return. The moon will be in full eclipse Tuesday night and if skies are clear millions will view the phenomena.

Lt. and Mrs. Allen Horstmann have arrived in Cameron to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Horstmann and other relatives and friends. Lt. Horstmann is home from 26 months of overseas duty.

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We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the kindness shown us at the death of our beloved son and brother, Pfc. Edgar Earl Elmore. We are especially grateful to the doctors and to nurse Sue Cook, who tried so hard to save him, and to our neighbors, and to those who gave flowers, we shall always remember you with gratitude.

G. N. Elmore and Family.

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Byron Neal of Rockdale was a business visitor in Cameron this week.

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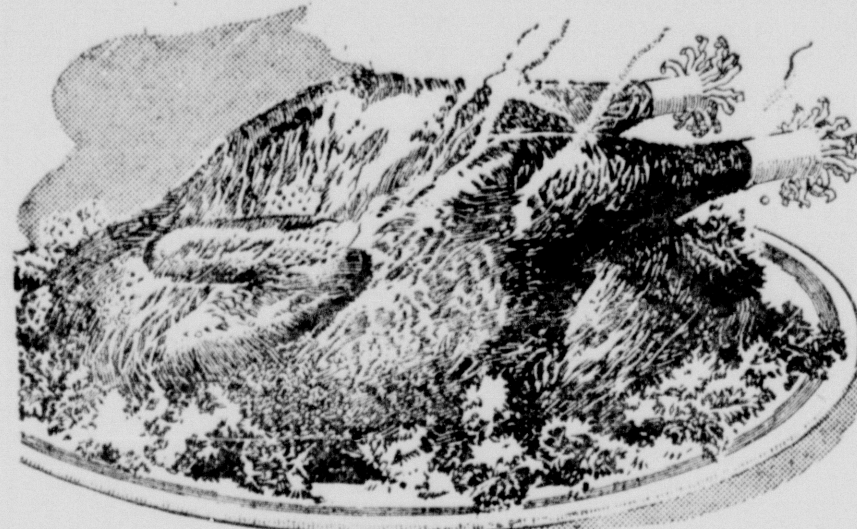
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Christmas

BY REV. GEORGE DUDA
St. Monica's Catholic Church

Christmas dawns. Bethlehem smiles. Indeed everybody likes Christmas. Everlboroetains drh clmuwfyf shrdlu Everybody is preparing for it. Most of the cities of our country are showing the spirit of it. So all the different stores in the business section of each city or hamlet of our glorious country. People enjoy the gay decorations, the soft candle light flowing even from the residential sections; but above all the words "Merry Christmas" are crystallized in our spirit, which we love to say and are in everybody's hearts. These words "Merry Christmas" ring out not only the gayest sentiment in the happiest homes, but also in the distant walls of our army of occupation here and beyond the sea. At Christmas the bitterest enemies feel the impulse when meeting to extend the neighborly greetings of the Season — "Merry Christmas."

Everywhere it is the spirit of Christian brotherly love, thought by the Babe of Bethlehem in the Manger. There is Mary's child with us, peace and love is in His hand. Torments are over. There is balm in blessed peace. May it assuage then the wounds and flood the hearts of the weary and chastened millions of all the world.

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that so few stop to think of the Source of this Christmas Spirit. That is why the Christmas spirit of the world, artificially around, dies with the morning after. It is discarded with faded tinsel and wilted wreaths — thrown out with empty bottles. Does not Christmas come to us with deeper meaning this year than ever before? Surely when one considers the last five years of warfare. Therefore let's learn it from the Babe of Bethlehem in the crib. Let's start it right at home and think just what a wonderful place this world would be, if there were 365 Dec. 25th. Impossible idealism you would say. Oh no! if we concentrate just on things or matter around us, like on our home, office, factory and farm, because every day can and may be Christmas in our hearts. Our Good Morning can mean the same thing, which we intend when we say "Merry Christmas!" Every Good Afternoon and our Good Nights and our God Bless You. Yes, every good deed can be a little Christmas present, every letter a Christmas card. Then, if practiced daily, we certainly bring into execution the words of the Great St. Francis, who says: "Let us learn from Jesus in the Manger what we ought to make of the things in the world."

May the peace of Christmas tide bless you, May the charity (love) of Christ fill you, and may you receive as a pledge of Christ Child's charity (love), a longing to spread the glad tidings of His Birth to the ends of the earth.

Sunday, December 23rd, Holy Masses at 8 and 10 A. M.

Monday, December 24th, Confessions 3:00 to 6:00 and 1:00 to 10:00.

11:45, Xmas Carols by the St. Monica's Choir.

Midnight Mass at 12:00.

High wages or salaries are not clear income. Your cost of living, such as food, clothing, rent, medical an ddental care, income tax and other taxes, and incidental expenses, must be paid out of your income. Enlist in the Regular Army and let the Government pay all of these for you.

McCloskey Amputees Bring Back Five Bucks Topped By Cameron Soldier's Fine 13 Pointer

Six patients from McCloskey General hospital, all minus an arm or leg, returned yesterday from a wild game hunting trip in Mason county with five deer "in the bag."

The largest kill was a 13-point buck brought down by one-armed PFC Preston Roberts of Cameron. His prize was closely followed by a 10-point, credited to PFC Leroy Miller, Highland, Ill., official photographer for the group, who gained his shooting ability in the ETO, where he lost his right leg while serving with the Fifth Infantry division.

Other members of the party were: First Sgt. Lloyd Smith of Eldorado, Ill., PFC Robert W. Finnigan, Chicago, Ill., PFC James Dalsky, Louisville, Ohio, and Sgt. Charles A. Schult of Eureka, Kans. Capt. Richard L. Green, in charge of the group, came back empty handed.

The nimrods, none of whom had previous experience at deer hunting, were guests of Fred Schmidt at his 2,000 acre hunting lease near Mason.

Captain Green, director of the reconditioning at McCloskey, reported a few anxious moments on the first day's hunting. "One of the lads ran up to me shouting that Private Miller had broken his leg. The laugh was on me," he admitted. "It turned out it was his artificial leg. A pin had been lost from the ankle joint, and Miller was forced to hunt on crutches until the next day when we had it fixed. He fooled the rest of us by shooting the first buck, handicapped as he was."

"It was nothing," Miller modestly acknowledged, "I simply took advantage of my basic training and employed the rules of cover and concealment. When the ol' duck got to within 50 yards of my position, I hypnotized him and brought him in

down." Roberts, former member of the Fourth Armored division, declared his 13-point buck gave him just enough points to get a discharge from the army, and disclosed his intention of having the magnificent animal mounted. "Not just the head either," he shouted. "I'm going to get the whole shebang stuffed . . . Even if it takes all my mustering out pay."

Private Roberts lost his right arm during the Battle of the Bulge near Bastogne, on Jan 10, 1945, and although right-hmanded, was shooting from his left shoulder.

The "huntingest" member of the group was First Sgt. Lloyd Smith, left-arm amputee. After a full day in the field, the sergeant decided to go out coon hunting with the civilian guides. "We had a swell time, too. The dogs treed four racoons and a ring-tailed cat. We killed all of 'em. I was plenty tired when we turned in at four that next morning, but it was a great day for me. I shot a four-point buck, too," he exclaimed proudly.

Both Privates Dalsky and Finnigan succeeded in bagging a buck, five and four pointers respectively. "Bob and I got along swell with our artificial right legs, too," said Dalsky, who is voluntarily teaching the fundamentals of safe driving to other battle casualties at the hospital. Private Finnigan lost his leg while serving with the history-making Third division in France. Dalsky, 94th division veteran, was wounded on Jan. 27 in Germany.

The five deer are hanging in the cold storage rooms at McCloskey and a venison dinner is in store for personnel of the occupational therapy sections.

Very few shots were wasted, ac-

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cording to Captain Green, who suspects that his hunting companions may have had previous shooting experience.

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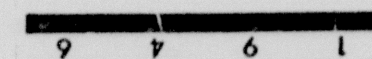
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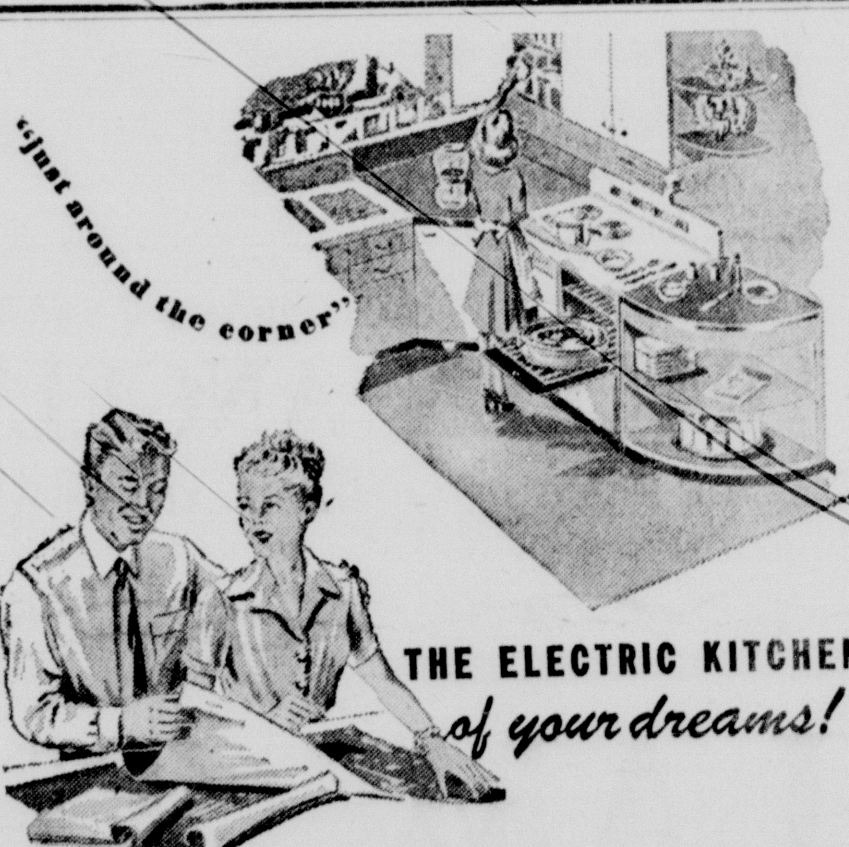
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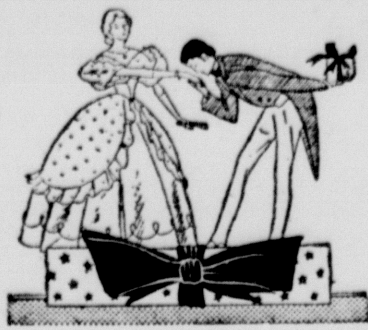
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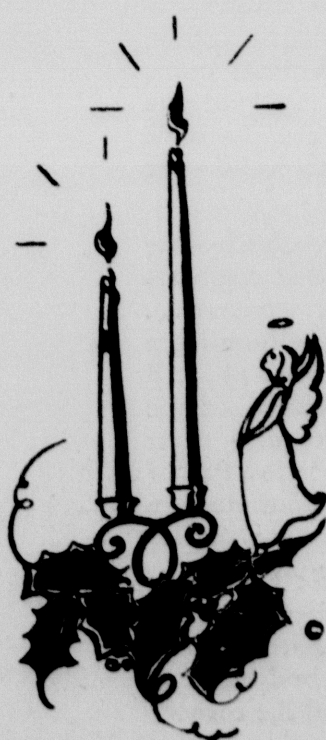
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My First Christmas Tree

By Hamlin Garland

I will begin by saying that we never had a Christmas tree in our house in the Wisconsin coulee; indeed, my father never saw one in the family circle till he saw that which I set up for my own children last year. But we celebrated Christmas in those days, always, and I cannot remember a time when we did not all hang up our stockings for "Sandy Claws" to fill. As I look back upon those days it seems as if the snows were always deep; the night always crystal clear, and the stars especially lustrous with frosty sparkles of blue and yellow fire—and probably this was so, for we lived in a Northern land where winter was usually stern and always long.

I recall one Christmas when "Sandy" brought me a sled, and a horse that stood on rollers—a wonderful tin horse which I very shortly split into in order to see what his insides were. Father traded a cord of wood for the sled and the horse cost twenty-five cents—but they made the day wonderful.

Another notable Christmas Day, as I stood in our front yard, mid-leg deep in snow, a neighbor drove closely muffled in furs, while behind his seat his son, a lad of twelve or fifteen, stood beside a barrel of apples, and as he passed he hurled a glorious big red one at me. It missed me, but bored a deep round hole in the soft snow. I thrill yet with the remembered joy of burrowing for that delicious bomb. Nothing will ever smell quite as good as that Wine Sap or Northern Spy or whatever it was. It was a wayward impulse on the part of the boy in the sleigh, but it warms my heart after more than forty years.

We had no chimney in our home, but the stocking-hanging was a ceremony nevertheless. My parents, and especially my mother, entered into it with the best of humor. They always put up their own stockings or permitted us to do it for them—and they always laughed next morning when they found potatoes or ears of corn in them. I can see now that my mother's laugh had a tear in it, for she loved pretty things and seldom got any during the years that we lived in the coulee.

When I was ten years old we moved to Mitchell County, an Iowa prairie land, and there we prospered in such wise that our stockings always held toys of some sort, and even my mother's stockings occasionally sagged with a simple piece of jewelry or a new comb or brush. But the thought of a family tree remained the luxury of millionaire city dwellers; indeed it was not till my fifteenth or sixteenth birthday that our Sunday school rose to the extravagance of a tree, and it is of this wondrous festival that I write.

The land about us was only partly cultivated at this time, and our district schoolhouse, a bare little box, was set bleakly on the prairie; but the Burr Oak schoolhouse was not only larger but it stood beneath great oaks as well and possessed the charm of a forest background through which a stream ran silently. It was our chief social center. There of a Sunday a regular preacher held "Divine service" with Sunday school as a sequence. At night—usually on Friday nights—the young people let in "ly-ceums," as we called them, to debate great questions or to "speak pieces" and read essays! and here it was that I saw my first Christmas tree.

I walked to that tree across four miles of moonlit snow. Snow? No, it was a floor of diamonds, a magical world, so beautiful that my heart still aches with the wonder of it and with the regret that it was all gone—gone with the keen eyes and the bounding pulses of the boy.

Our home at this time was a small frame house on the prairie almost directly west of the Burr Oak grove, and as it was too cold to take the horses out my brother and I, with our tall boots, our visored caps and our long woolen mufflers, started forth afoot defiant of the cold. We left the gate on the trot, bound for a sight of the glittering unknown. The snow was deep and we moved side by side in the grooves made by the hoofs of the horses, setting our feet in the shine left by the broad shoes of the wood sleighs whose going had smoothed the way for us.



Our breaths rose like smoke in the still air. It must have been ten below zero, but that did not trouble us in those days, and at last we came in sight of the lights, in sound of the singing, the laughter, the bells of the feast.

It was a poor little building without tower or bell and its low walls had but three windows on a side, and yet it seemed very imposing to me that night as I crossed the threshold and faced the strange people who paced it to the door. I say "strange people," for though I had seen most of them many times they all seemed somehow alien to me that night. I was an irregular attendant at Sunday school and did not expect a present, therefore I stood against the wall and gazed with one-eyed marveling at the shining pine which stood where the pulpit was wont to be. I was made to feel the more embarrassed by reason of the remark of a boy who accused me of having forgotten to comb my hair.

That was not true, but the cap I wore always matted my hair down over my brow, and then, when I lifted it off invariably disarranged it completely. Nevertheless I felt guilty—and hot. I don't suppose my hair was artistically barbered that night—I rather guess Mother had used the shears—and I can believe that I looked the half-wild colt that I was; but there was no call for that youth to direct attention to my unavoidable shagginess.



I don't think the tree had many candles, and I don't remember that it glittered with golden apples. But it was loaded with presents, and the girls coming and going clothed in bright garments made me forget my own looks—I think they made me forget to remove my overcoat, which was a sodden thing of poor cut and worse quality. I think I must have stood agape for nearly two hours listening to the songs, noting every motion of Adoniram Burtch and Asa Walker as they directed the ceremonies and prepared the way for the great event—that is to say, for the coming of Santa Claus himself.

A furious jingling of bells, a loud voice outside, the lifting of a window, the nearer clash of bells, and the dear old Saint appeared (in the person of Stephen Bartle) clothed in a red robe, a belt of sleigh bells and a white beard. The children cried out, "Oh!" The girls tittered and shrieked with excitement, and the boys laughed and clapped their hands. Then "Sandy" made a little speech about being glad to see us all, but as he had many other places to visit, and as there were a great many presents to distribute, he guessed he'd have to ask some of the many pretty girls to help him. So he called upon Betty Burtch and Hattie Knapp—and I for one admired his taste, for they were the most popular maids of the school.

They came up blushing, a little bewildered by the blaze of publicity thus blown upon them. But their native dignity asserted itself; and the distribution of the presents began. I have a notion now that the fruit upon the tree was mostly bags of popcorn and "corny copias" of candy, but as my brother and I stood there that night and saw everybody, even the rowdiest boy, getting something we felt aggrieved and rebellious. We forgot that we had come from afar—we only knew that we were being left out.

But suddenly, in the midst of our gloom, my brother's name was called, and a lovely girl with gentle smile handed him a bag of popcorn. My heart glowed with gratitude. Somebody had thought of us; and when she came to me, saying sweetly, "Here's something for you," I had not words to thank her. This happened nearly forty years ago, but her smile, her outstretched hand, her sympathetic eyes are vividly before me as I write. She was sorry for the sheekheaded boy who stood against the wall, and her pity made the little box of candy a casket of pearls. The fact that I swallowed the jewels on the road home does not take from the reality of my adoration.

At last I had to take my final glimpse of that wondrous tree, and I well remember the walk home. My brother and I traveled in wordless companionship. The moon was sinking toward the west, and the snow crust gleamed with a million fairy lamps. The sentinel watchdogs barked from lonely farmhouses, and the wolves answered from the ridges. Now and then sleighs passed us with lovers sitting two and two, and the bells on their horses had the remote music of romance to us whose boots drummed like clogs of wood upon the icy road.

Our house was dark as we approached and entered it, but how deliciously warm it seemed after the pitiless wind! I confess we made straight for the cupboard for a mince pie, a doughnut and a bowl of milk!

As I write this there stands in my library a thick-branched, beautifully tapering fir tree covered with the gold and purple apples of Hesperides, clusters of gilded grapes, wreaths of metallic frost, and glittering angels swinging in ecstasy; but I doubt if my children will ever know the keen pleasure (that is almost pain) which came to my brother and to me in those Christmas days when an orange was not a breakfast fruit, but a casket of incense and of spice, a message from the sunlands of the South.

That was our compensation—we brought to our Christmastime a keen appetite and empty hands. And the lesson of it all is, if we are seeking a lesson, that it is better to give to those who want than to those for whom "we ought to do something because they did something for us last year."

YOEMEN BEAT ROCKDALE IN HOOP OPENER HERE

The Yoemen, opening their basketball season here in the tournament Friday night, defeated the Rockdale Tigers, 31 to 20.

Other teams to win the opening games were: Thorndale 31, Calvert 17; Belton 29, Sharp 7; Thrall 26, Franklin 9.

High point man for the Yoemen was Gerick with 12, and high point man for Rockdale was Allen, 9. High point men in other games were: MacMillian for Thorndale with 14. Lieuzum for Thrall with 15 points was the high man for the evening; Walker for Belton Tigers scored 12 points and Campbell for Sharp scored 6.

Parents of Cameron Woman to Be Honored On Radio Program

Climaxing fifty happy years of married life, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Coleman, Fort Worth, parents of Mrs. J. H. Miller, Cameron, have been chosen as "Golden Couple of the Week" and will be honored on the Universal Mill's radio program, Sunday, 10:30 a.m. over WBAP-WFAA and the Texas Quality Network.

Mrs. Coleman, the former Amelia Caroline Hobbs, was born in Grayson. Mr. Coleman was born in Missouri and came to Fort Worth at the age of 6; he later moved to Wise county.

The couple met at an Old Settlers Reunion at Paradise and were married November 27, 1895, at her home. They lived in Paradise for some time, where Mr. Coleman did carpenter work; they moved to Fort Worth in 1907 at which time Mr. Coleman worked for a building contractor. The Colemans have eight children: Rufus H. Coleman, Sr., L. W. Coleman, R. W. Coleman, J. W. Coleman, Jr., V. D. Coleman, all of Fort Worth; Mrs. A. C. Perry, San Angelo; H. G. Coleman, Dallas; Mrs. J. H. Miller; 12 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

The couple will appear on the broadcast, be interviewed and later presented with a beautifully illuminated Family Bible as a memento of the occasion.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE IS BEING MAPPED HERE

An advance plan for holiday observances in Cameron is now being worked out by the Chamber of Commerce.

L. Van Perkins, manager, and Ralph Michalka, were named a committee to fix the days to be observed by business here and this schedule will be published soon.

William Arthur and C. E. Allday were named directors to succeed Richard Hester and L. F. Gohmert.

We repair any make or model radio. Parma Radio Service

WANTED to buy or lease—a Sandy Land Farm, David Beathard, Cameron, Rt. 3, c-o J. W. Beathard. (33-1tp)

Want to lend 50 head of young mules for their feed in 1946. H. L. Atkinson, Maysfield. (33-3tc)

FOR SALE—One iron wheel wagon and one 4-inch tire wagon. See John Marak, Rural Rt. 1, Cameron. 33-3tp

USED CARS WANTED—Will buy any make or model. Grabein Chevrolet company. 34-1f



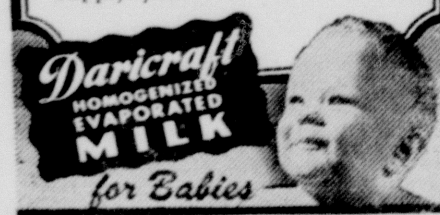
The Winner

Yes, mothers who have raised their babies on Daricraft homogenized evaporated milk say, "It's a winner."

Daricraft evaporated milk often appeals to babies who "fight their food." Complete sterilization and homogenization processes alter the proteins and butter-fats to aid ready digestibility and assimilation.

Mothers often find they are saved many tedious hours work in food preparation by the use of this type of infant food.

If you have a baby feeding problem, ask your doctor about Daricraft homogenized evaporated milk. Accepted by the Council on Foods and Nutrition of the American Medical Association. Your grocer can supply you.



ROCKDALE VICTORY LOAN QUOTA OVERSUBSCRIBED

Rockdale's Victory Loan drive went over the top with a final push made Monday by the local committee and total sales now stand at \$38,756.

Rockdale's E Bond quota was \$34,000 and thus this quota has been topped by \$4,756. Figured on maturity values, the quota was just over \$45,000 and maturity sales figure \$51,675 to date.

Lagging throughout the campaign, the drive here took a final spurt Monday with N. E. Alford, chairman, and his committee making a last-minute canvass to wind up the city's last bond drive. Working with Alford were Boswell Newton, Bill Duke, Bill Howell, Frank Haley and W. T. Pearson, Jr.

Figures just released from state headquarters show that Milam county on Dec. 10 ranked 65th among Texas counties in bond sales, with a percentage of 75.3 per cent of quota sold. This is a decided jump over last week when Milam county was in 133rd place with only 37 to 40 per cent of quota sold.—Rockdale Reporter.

CALL FOR BIDS

The Commissioners Court will receive bids on the purchase of one new tandem drive, power controlled, motor grader with Diesel motor and electric starter weighing approximately 21,000 pounds and equipped with standard sized tires. All bids to be accompanied by Cashier's Check for five per cent of bid. Bids are to be opened at 2:00 P. M. on Friday, the 4th day of January 1946 at the Court House in Cameron, Texas. The Commissioner's Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Please hand or mail sealed bids to Jeff T. Kemp, County Judge, Milam County, Cameron, Texas. (14-2tc)

The Army educational system will help you develop your abilities to the fullest extent.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

• The Princess Was Pinched... and Loved It!
HEDY LAMARR
ROBERT WALKER
JUNE ALLYSON
 It's A Royal Free-For-All!
"Her Highness and the Bellboy"
 with CARL ESMOND
 AGNES MOOREHEAD • "RAGS" RAGLAND
 Original Screen Play by Richard Connell and Gladys Lehman
 Directed by RICHARD THORPE • Produced by JOE PASTERNAK

THE CAMERON THEATRE
 SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 30 and 31



TIRE RATIONING NEXT TO GO!

HOLD OUT FOR U.S. ROYALS

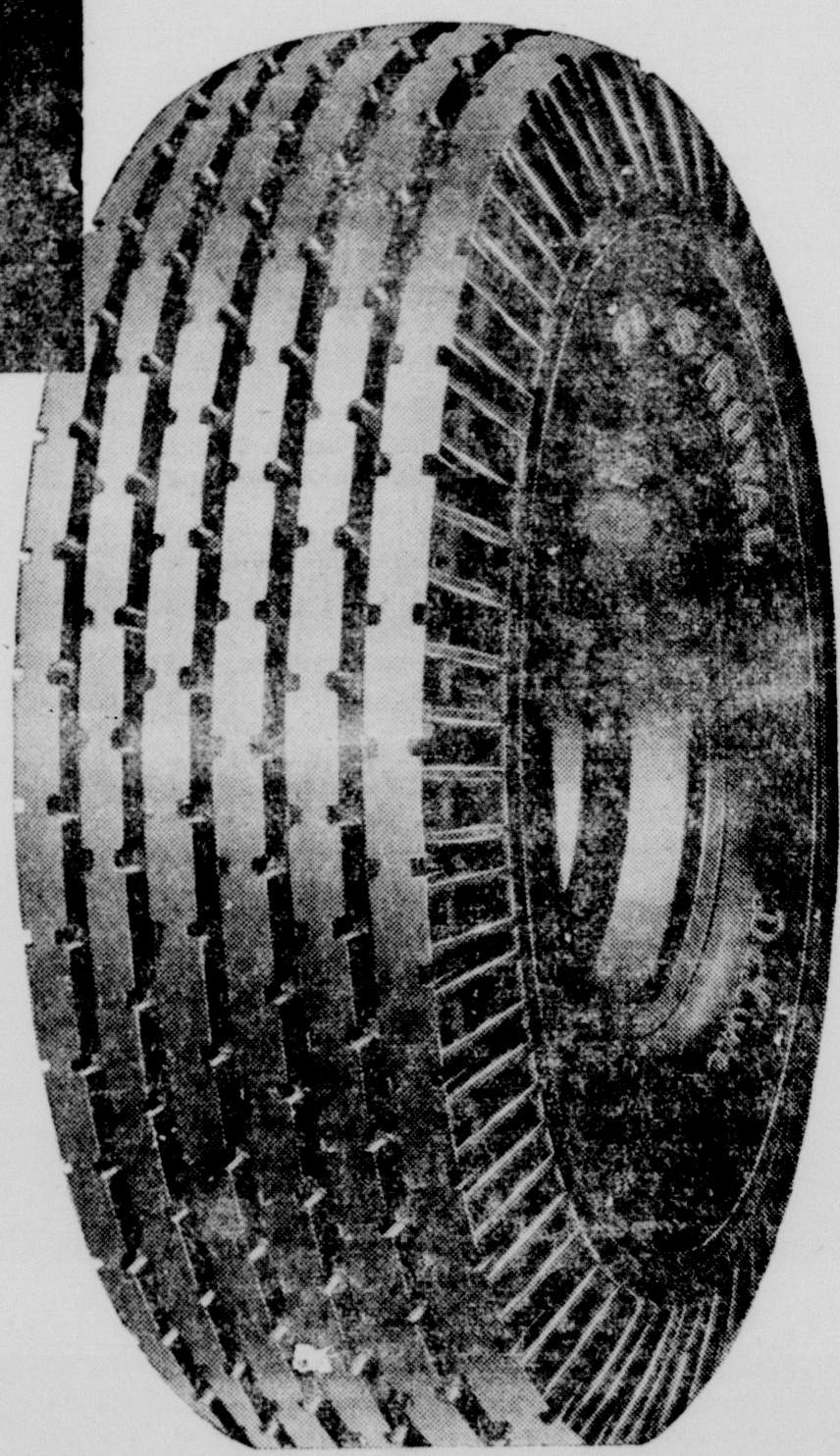
You've waited a long time to buy new tires—That's why it's more important than ever that you take a good long look at tire quality before you buy—and that's why we say "Hold out for U.S. Royals".

Right across this country car owners are reporting prewar performance and better from U. S. Royals. The demand is greater today than it's ever been before. Even with our 5 giant factories rolling out more and more U.S. Royals for you every day, we can't produce enough tires to satisfy the pent-up demand all at once.

So see your U. S. Royal Dealer today. If he doesn't yet have your size on hand, he will have soon. Place your order with him *now*—and *Hold out for U. S. Royals*.

Here's the quickest way to get your U. S. Royals

- Go to your U. S. Royal Dealer today for a thorough tire inspection.
- If you are in urgent need of new tires, he will show you how to get them at the earliest possible moment.
- If your need is not immediate, he will use his expert knowledge of tire care to keep your car on active duty until new U. S. Royals are available.
- The quickest way to get new U. S. Royals is to register your tire needs with your U. S. Royal Dealer now.



MACK'S OIL COMPANY

A. W. McCullin
 Phone 180

At The Underpass
 Cameron

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SWEETNESS
 straight from the sugar cane

BRER RABBIT SYRUP
 gives you...

NATURE'S SUGAR
 EXTRA IRON!

That sweetness in Brer Rabbit Syrup is real sugar in natural form! And you also get a good source of food iron. Iron is essential for good red blood!

5 ways to satisfy your sweet tooth ... and SAVE SUGAR!

1. Eat more spreads. Brer Rabbit Syrup on bread, biscuits or corn-bread is mighty good eating.
2. Make a meal of Brer Rabbit Syrup and hot cakes or waffles.
3. Sweeten cereal and breakfast fruits with Brer Rabbit Syrup.
4. For dessert, pour Brer Rabbit Syrup over ice cream.
5. Enjoy delicious Brer Rabbit Milk Shakes. Add one tablespoon Brer Rabbit Syrup to a glass of milk.

Brer Rabbit Syrup

CUB SCOUTS
"Kits For a Guy Who Has Been Hit" are on display in the window at the USO building. These gifts have been gotten together and prepared by the Cub Scouts. These gifts will be delivered next week by Mrs. F. C. Fahrendorf to McCloskey General Hospital, and be given to the wounded service men for Christmas.
Want ads get results. Try them.

CHRISTMAS



... brings to each of us an appreciation of those fine friendships and memories which make life worth living. And so at this glad Holiday Season, we extend to you our cordial greetings and wish for you both health and happiness throughout all the coming year.

NEW CAMERON DRUG CO.



Corporal Clarence J. Rettle of Illinois and Miss Geraldine Paulen of Holland were united in marriage at two o'clock Thursday by Judge Jeff T. Kemp. The bride wore a black dress with a white and red corsage of carnations. They will leave immediately for Illinois where they will make their home.

Carl Cloud of Lampasas transacted business in Cameron this week.

M. Sevek of Buckholts visited in Cameron on Wednesday.

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Funeral Insurance at Cost
Ambulance Service
GREEN FUNERAL HOME

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She'd rather be kissed than CROWNED
The Princess gets her wish—and it's a right-royal romantic riot!
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CAMERON THEATRE
SUNDAY AND MONDAY
DECEMBER 30 and 31

Observe Holiday In Many Ways

The name January is derived from the two-faced god, Janus. He was originally the god of light and day, however, he gradually became the god of the beginning of things.

The beginning of the year was sacred to Janus and a festival in his honor called Agonia was celebrated. At the beginning of any important undertaking his aid and advice was sought.

He was worshipped as the guardian of trade and shipping and he was the inventor of agriculture.

In addition to secular celebrations, many religious denominations hold special services on New Year's Eve from 9 or 10 to 12 o'clock.

The Methodist Episcopal church was the earliest to adopt this cus-



Last day of 1945.

tom and they are called "watch-night services."

In 1944, St. George's Methodist Episcopal church in Philadelphia held its 175th watch night service. The church was founded in 1769 and in 1770 held what has been called the first such services in America. Many other churches are holding such services today.

January 1 is a legal holiday in all of the states and the District of Columbia. It was not until after 1918, however, that the date became a legal holiday in Massachusetts.

With the exception of war time, the date is a legal reason for liberty for the sailor and soldier. Yes, army and navy regulations specifically state this fact.

To quote from the navy regulations: "The first of January—and such other days as may be designated by the President, including the day of national thanksgiving, shall be designated as holidays on board ships of the navy and all naval stations."

New Year's Mummers Parade Big Event

The Mummers' Parade on New Year's Eve is to Philadelphia what the Tournament of Roses is to Pasadena—only the Mummers have a priority on tradition.

The earliest settlers in the vicinity of present-day Philadelphia were English and Swedes. The English cherished the traditional Mummer play "St. George and the Dragon," while the Swedes were fond of masquerading informally on New Year's Eve. The two customs had merged long before the Revolution and it was customary—even among the Quakers—to extend hospitality to the masqueraders or give them a dole for refreshments.

After the Revolution, George Washington replaced St. George as the central figure of the festivities which continued along the path of spontaneity until 1886 when the parade was sponsored by the Silver Crown New Year's association.

The Municipal administration officially recognized the parade in 1901, and representative citizenry began turning out to watch and participate in the festivities.

The number of organizations sponsoring the parade, the divisions and elaborateness thereof increased through the years. On New Year's Eve in 1930, 12,000 participated in the line of march down Bond street and 300,000 spectators watched the parade which lasted from early evening through the wee hours of the New Year.

COMES OUT FIGHTING



New Year's Compliments

Danish families save their broken crockery—to toss against their friends' doors on New Year's Eve.

The crockery tossed, the tossers run; but not too far; they expect to be invited in for doughnuts.

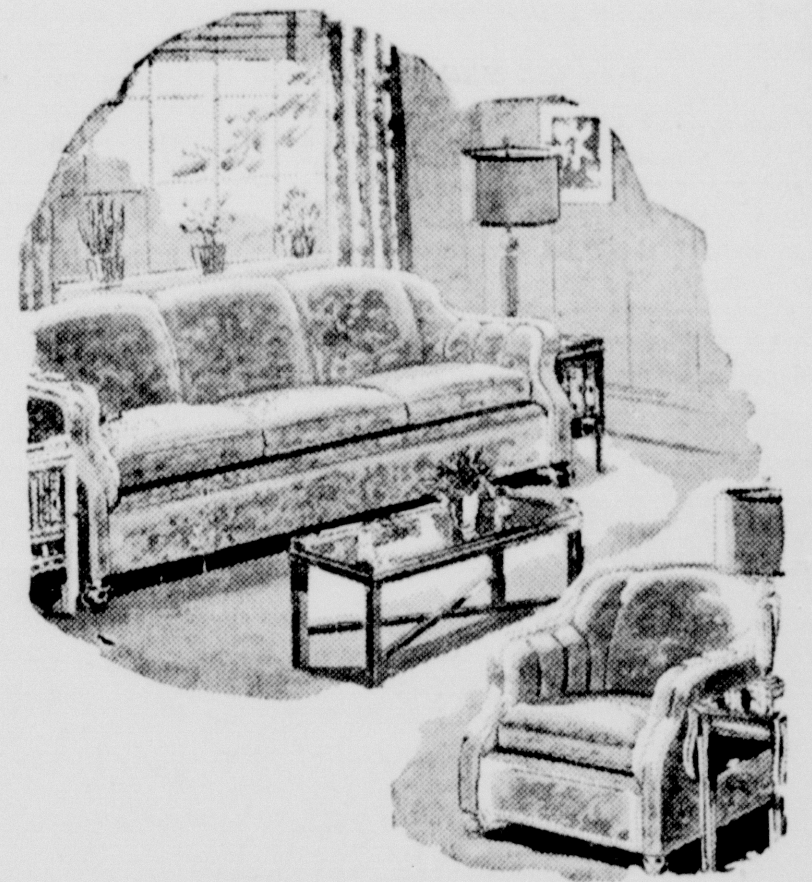
The most popular household in the community is so designated on New Year's morning by the debris around the doorstep.

Edw. G. ROBINSON
MARGARET O'BRIEN
in
"OUR VINES HAVE TENDER GRAPES"
with JACKIE 'BUTCH' JENKINS
DIRECTED BY ROY ROWLAND
PRODUCED BY ROBERT SISK
GREAT LOOKS MAKE GREAT PICTURES!
AN M-G-M HIT!

THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 and 21

CHRISTMAS

GIVE FURNITURE . . . a Gift that not only lasts but is Always Appreciated



COFFEE AND COCKTAIL TABLES
\$6.85 to \$37.50

STUDIO BEDS \$49.75 and \$69.75

Two-Piece STUDIO SUITE \$69.75	CHILD'S CRIB Natural finish, innerspring mattress \$35.50
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2-PIECE ELECTRIC VANITY LAMPS
\$9.50 - \$12.50

READING LAMP with shade \$10.75	3-WAY FLOOR LAMP rayon shade \$18.50
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Good assortment of CHILD'S ROCKERS, upholstered and cane seats . . . BABY STROLLERS . . . BUGGIES AND HIGH CHAIRS

HEAT PROOF TABLE MATS, SEVERAL COLORS
25c

FRAMED MIRRORS, plate glass up to 36x46 . . . RADIO TABLES . . . END TABLES . . . COFFEE and COCKTAIL TABLES, mahogany and walnut . . . LOVE SEATS in red leather with chest . . . BREAKFAST ROOM SUITES in walnut, white enamel, maple and chromium with leather chairs . . . RAYON JUTE RUGS 9x12 in green, rose, and blue . . . A fair assortment of good BEDROOM SUITES . . . We expect more before Xmas.

Although our stock is low on many items, we still have a good selection. Give our store a visit while shopping for your Christmas Gifts.

Eplen Furniture Co.

PHONE 98 SOUTH SIDE OF COURTHOUSE

Christmas Greetings



THIS first peacetime Christmas in four years brings many good reasons for rejoicing . . . family circles made complete with loved ones back from foreign lands . . . Christmas lights twinkling again outdoors . . . the first shining metal toys to gladden the hearts of youngsters . . . tables laden with good food from a rich and unscarred

land . . . but, most of all, that blessed feeling of peace and security and hope for the future that is now ours to enjoy.

Yes, this Christmas is indeed one to live long in memory. If our service is helping to make the occasion brighter and more enjoyable, we are glad.

To our customers and employees,
— extend heartiest greetings of the season.
Merry Christmas to you all!

COMMUNITY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS
— FROM —
MILAM COUNTY
CHILDREN

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy eleven years old and I know that you don't have much toys but try to bring me some handlebars. And try to bring me a wagon and please try to bring me some firecrackers and some rockets and some fruits, nuts, and candy.
Thank you,
Eugene Vanza.

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy thirty-eight years old. I do not want too much this year. I only want a Model B John Deere tractor. You do not need to bother with the implements, I can buy them. Well, if it is not too much trouble, bring me a new Chevrolet or new V-8, just what you have on hand. My gosh, I sure thank you.
F. J. Vanza.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a wagon, a dump truck, candies and fruits of all kinds and don't forget my three little sisters and Aunt Maude.
Love to Santa,
Jesse Clay Matthews.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a dump truck, a train and all kinds of fruits, nuts, and candies, and don't forget Granddad and Grandmother. Best wishes to Santa.
Jesse Gail Mitchell.

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a raincoat and cap. I go to school. I am in the first grade and I have a long way to walk. I also need some new shoes. I would like very much to have a little gun and a scabbard to play with. If you have a belt to fit me, please bring me one. That is all.
I love you,
Charles Simmons.

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a pistol, a black board, apples, oranges, nuts, and candies? Don't forget Uncle LaDelle.

With much love to Santa,
W. T. Silvey.

Dear Santa,
We are three little brothers and please bring us a wagon, a dump truck and a rattler for baby. Lots of nuts, candies, and fruits.
Love to Santa.

Tommy Ray, Paul and Joe Mitchell.

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl in the first grade. We are learning to read and write.

I want a big new doll for Christmas and a gold locket. I need a color book please. I would like a toy drum too. We will not be at home so please come to see me at my grandmothers. I sure would like a bicycle. Please bring me a bubble set and a keleidoscope. Also some fruit and candy.

Your little friend,
Barbara Jo Young.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am five years old. I have tried to be a good boy. I want a steam shovel, a tractor, and a new honey bear. Bring me some sparklers. Bring the other children some toys, too.

Your friend,
Carter Collins.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a pretty doll with hair dressed in an evening dress, some candy and a set of pyrex dishes. Bring Helen a doll and some candy. I like books and puzzles, too. Do you still like fruit cake and milk?

With love,
Rita Frances Reid.

Dear Santa,

I do not go to school but I am visiting Barbara Jo and the children are writing letters to you so Miss Randolph is helping me. Will you bring me a horn and a big red wagon and anything else you think I would like?

Your little friend,
Paul Young.

Dear Santa,

I've been a good little girl. Please bring me a doll and some dishes. I'll be looking for you.

Love,
Millie Jean McCall.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the second grade. Please bring me a ring, telephone, doctor's set, doll buggy and doll. I have been a good little girl, and please Santa, help every little boy and girl in the world have a Merry Xmas.

Love,
Patsy Sue Blackman.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll and a ring. Truly yours,
Peggy Wilson.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a cowboy gun and a little car to play with. I want some fruit and candy please.

Robert Richards.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a toy car, big enough for me to ride in. Maybe I could go to school in it. I also want a toy army truck to play with and a tractor.

Thank you,
Daniel Tepera.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am glad Christmas is almost here. Please bring me a farm yard with toy animals. Thank you.

Billy Knipp.

Dear Santa,

I have been a good little boy this year. For Christmas I want you to bring me a truck, a gun and scabbard, and some fruit. I'll hang my stocking by my bed to make sure you don't forget me.

Love,
Billy Dean McCall

Dear Santa Claus:

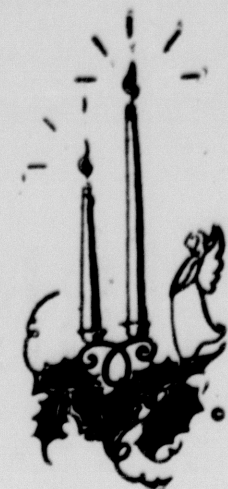
I am a little boy eight years old. I go to school. I'm in the second grade. For Christmas I want some story books, and a may, puzzle, and if you can spare a bike I would like to have one. Don't forget the poor children. Santa, do you like honey and bread? I will put some honey and bread on the kitchen table for you. Help yourself.

Your little friend,
Willie Lesiker.

Dear Santa,

I want a toy xylophone and a music book with it. You can buy one in Temple. I have enough dolls. I want a cowgirl suit and a hat and some spurs to fit me.

Jimmye Ray Colburn.



OUR HEARTIEST GOOD WISHES TO YOU . . .

and every member of
your family this New
Year of 1946. Every-
thing you want most
dearly is our New Year
wish for you

A & R Supply Store



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Though many have tried to say it differently this old and expressive sentiment remains the honored way of telling Friends and Patrons that you covet for them the happiness the season affords.

It is with a genuine feeling of appreciation that we send these greetings. Your patronage and good will enabled us to command leadership in our stores and we want to thank each one who had a share in this consideration of us.

Green & Boedeker

HARDWARE

GROCERIES AND FURNITURE

Leland Green

Carroll Green

Leland Green, Jr.

Greetings

This is the season of Happiness and Good Cheer.

Out of a deep gratitude for your loyalty and your friendship and patronage, we send our greetings with the hope that this will find you enjoying the fullness of the season and in the New Year may your health be good and your fortunes increase.

If the year be an inventory we have placed your Good Will high among our assets and we recall the days, weeks and months that made up 1945 with their anxieties, their sacrifices and their triumphs. Now that Peace has come to earth we can feel that a new day dawns and we want to share with you these obligations in cooperation that we may achieve the aims for which they so bravely fought and won.

SKEEZIX

E. C. CAMMER, Proprietor



Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the second grade. Please bring me a piano, suitcase, doll clothes, table and chair and a telephone. Also candy, nuts, and fruit.

With love, your friend,
Peggy Ann Diver.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a bat and a glove this year? I am trying to be a good boy. Santa, I thank you for the present. Goodby.

I thank you,
Eugene Salac.



Loyalty works both ways.
You have been loyal to us,
and we are loyal to you.

To you, our friends, who
have so helped us to make
1945 successful, we send
the friendliest of

CHRISTMAS
GREETINGS

Jenkins Service
Station
PHONE 162

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

— FROM —

MILAM COUNTY CHILDREN

Dear Santa,

Do you know what I wish for Christmas? I wish for a ball notebook. Santa, I was good this year so please bring me a present. Come to our school rain or shine. We will be very glad to see you and shake hands with you. Good bye.

Eugene Hubnik.

Dear Santa,

I am the smallest girl going to our school. I have long yellow curly hair. My age is six years. I like to study, run, and play but I am good too. Please Santa bring me a coloring book and a little wagon. Thank you, Santa.

Mary Marak.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wonder if you would care if a little girl too young to go to school would write you a letter? I live with my grandfather and grandmother Baskin and grandmother is writing this for me. Dear Santa, bring me a big doll and a little doll and a chair and some dishes. I never have had any dishes. Please remember other little girls and boys and my grandfather and grandmother and Santa, I would like some fruit. I will be four years old next March 21.

Love to you, Santa,
Sandra Jean Heard.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy thirteen years old. Please bring me a baseball glove and some firecrackers and some gloves size seven and some fruit and nuts and candy and a wagon and a ball.

Thank you,
Alfred Vansa.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a doll, and a coloring book, and a sack of fruit and nuts. I am 12 years old. I'm in the sixth grade. Love.

Maribeth Fisher.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl seven years old, and in the second grade. Please bring me a doll and any other toys you have, fruits, nuts and candy. My little brother would also like to have a doll and some toys. He is only two years old. Don't forget our sick soldier boys in the hospitals as they need lots of cheering up. Thank you.

Your two little pals,
Frank Jerry and Dorothy Marie Hall
Don't forget to leave some Xmas things for my Grandfather and Grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tomek who live at Elm Ridge, close to Cameron.



What's ahead? That is the
spoken question in the
mind of every thoughtful
person.

We hope for a much
brighter future . . . look
forward to it eagerly. The
handwriting is in the sky.

W. G. Heitman
PRODUCE



IN THE streetcar crowded with holiday shoppers Mrs. Weston couldn't see the couple behind her but their words added to her mounting despair and fury. Overhead, tinsel-wreathed placards exhorted to buy fur coats, diamonds, perfume.

She shut her eyes to them but she could not shut her ears. "That was one swell party last night," sighed the man. "Oh, boy!" The girl squealed. Mrs. Weston cringed. The high laughter was like the whistle in Puppo, the rubber dog they'd given Harvey Jr. his third Christmas. Puppo had become more than a toy. He still lived in glory, a kind of household god enshrined in the whatnot in Harvey's room. "Love to Puppo," Harvey ended his letters. Puppo always topped the



"Lady, you have the wrong angle."

Christmas tree. There'd be no tree this year. It was worse than childish of Harvey to want one. She wouldn't have it. A package had been sent to Harvey Jr. overseas in October, but there'd be no Christmasing at home.

Wicked, horrible, thought Mrs. Weston, that people are going through all the old motions of a Merry Christmas. No one has a right to be merry.

"You looked super last night," said the man. "You are super, honey. You're so beautiful." Mrs. Weston turned slightly and caught a glimpse of a flat pretty face surrounded by blond curls. "You rate orchids, honey," the man went on, "and you're goin' to have them."

The constant ache in Mrs. Weston's heart sharpened to a stab. For such fools her Harvey was risking his life. Another block of their chatter and Mrs. Weston would say, "The money squandered on orchids, young man, would buy a good many war stamps," or, "This is no occasion for whoopee."

"Jack thinks the Army is going to get him this time." It was the girl speaking. "And is he scared?" The woman next her got off and another squeezed in. "Certainly going to be a big Christmas," observed the newcomer cheerfully. "Were you downtown Saturday? Worst jam I ever saw."

"I was not." Mrs. Weston felt compelled to explain. "I am going to town now only to select a wreath for my mother's grave."

Behind her the young people were still shrilling about Jack and the Army. "Tell him we'll give him a farewell party. Tell him if he gets shot he'll have a pretty nurse." The man was chortling. "Let's get off next corner, beautiful. You can buy me a drink."

Liquor, thought Mrs. Weston furiously. That explained their incessant giggling over nothing. She raised her voice. "I don't see how people can think about Christmas. How they can drink and laugh and waste money on silly things. Life is so terrible—" her voice broke. Heavens, people were staring! "My son—somewhere in the Pacific," she added hurriedly in a low voice. "I—I'm thinking of him."

She felt a hand on her shoulder. "Lady you have the wrong angle." The man behind her leaned forward. Her eyes met compassionate blue ones in a face curiously pale. "It don't help your boy any for you to have no Christmas. Be as merry as you can. Like as not he'll be back, fit as a fiddle—like me." He lurched to his feet.

Something caught in Mrs. Weston's throat. He was limping to the door. The car jolted to a stop and the girl thrust a steady little hand under his arm. Drunk, thought Mrs. Weston, drunk with the joy of being alive. She sprang to her feet, without apology pushed through the crowd. "Wait!" But they were getting off.

She was halted by the crowds on the sidewalk. Standing on tiptoe she saw the couple turn in at the dairy bar. A drink. They'd laugh and make love over an ice cream soda. "Merry Christmas, soldier," she whispered. "Be as merry as you can."

Misty-eyed, she walked to the corner rimmed with Christmas trees. "A small tree," choked Mrs. Weston. She wiped her eyes and picked one up, testing its weight. "It must be strong," she told the vendor firmly. "Strong enough to hold up a good sized rubber dog, and—our spirits."

December 20, 1945

THE CAMERON HERALD—5

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good little girl. I want a desk and chair to study my lessons, want a pretty dress. I'm going to I have been a good girl and too I have plenty of hay for your reindeer to eat because I know they will be hungry. My name is Maggie Jean. I'm eight years old.

A little girl,
Maggie Jean.

Holiday Lights Will Burn After 3 Years; Old Fashioned Xmas

With the war ended there were signs that the city would return to an old fashioned Christmas celebration and among the indications were the resumption of street lighting.

Monday linemen were busy replacing globes and testing the current. It was thought the lights would be turned on Monday night. They were

discontinued when war came and are now being restored.

Merchandising was being stepped up as shoppers crowded the city. Shops are fairly well stocked. War demands curtailed production of civilian goods but it was evident that business would soon be normal. The appearance of toys and colorful gift goods in the stores heightened happiness among the children and grown ups, too, were getting the Christmas spirit.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Meyer have recently received work of the Meritorious Commendation presented to their son, Alvin, and Pharmacist's Mates in the company for their untiring efforts in caring for the thousands of casualties in the campaigns of Iwo Jima.

Hard work won't kill you but worry will; now just keep on worrying.

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Through the centuries Christmas has come each year a blessing to mankind. It is a time when we turn away from all that is commercial and all that usurps our time and thought and leads us kindly to the cradle of our better selves.

How best to express our sincere feeling of gratitude has been our thought for days now that Christmas has come again and we all

look with confidence to the future. We trust that Santa will dig deep into his treasure trove to bring you a gift of Good Will from us and that the months to come will deal kindly with you, that you may have long health, happiness and prosperity.

Though the world has known Christmas for centuries no one has devised a better thing to say than just plain Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Green Funeral Home Green Burial Association

Leland Green Carroll Green Leland Green, Jr.



As we look back over 1945 we have much for which to be thankful.

Our friends and customers were great in number and great in their reception of our efforts to serve them with OK Rubber Welding service.

May this be an old fashioned Christmas and the New Year bring you the good things in life you so well deserve.

Looking forward to 1946 our plans are to constantly expand our service and to give you the best in values. We value your Good Will and your Friendship above every blessing that has been ours in 1945.

OK Rubber Welders

W. C. PEMBERTON, Proprietor



U. D. C. Entertained at Home of Aetna Smith

Miss Aetna Smith entertained members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy on Wednesday, December 12th with Mrs. Bertha Brewer as co-hostess.

The tea was given in honor of the U. D. C. President of Texas, Mrs. W. G. Robinson of Rosebud, who gave an interesting report on the recent U. D. C. general convention held in Houston. Mrs. Eber Flinn reviewed the book, "The Bird's Christmas Carol," by Kate Douglas Wiggin.

The guests were invited into the dining room where Mrs. Grady Stidham, assisted by Mrs. Vernon McIntyre served refreshments. The rooms were beautifully decorated with sea-

sonal flowers.

Guests from Rosebud including Mrs. Robertson were: Mrs. W. L. Worrick, Miss Vera Worrick, Mrs. McCoy and Mrs. J. C. Snead.

Mrs. John Watson has returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bassett Watson and her daughter, Mrs. Donald G. Kilgore and her son, Capt. and Mrs. John B. Watson in Waco.

Rufus Reichert, who is a patient in the Cameron Hospital, is reported to be improving.

J. B. Allen of Briary, transacted business in Cameron Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Vybiral shopped in Temple Thursday.

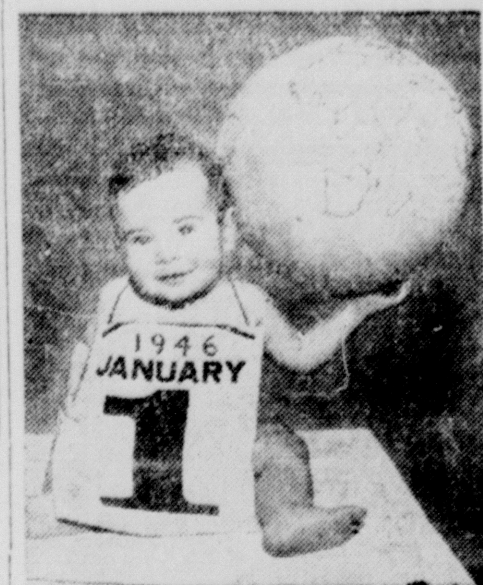
Claude Allison of Baileyville visited in Cameron this week.

A 'SHORT-SHORT' NEW YEAR'S STORY

"Gee, it's funny how that habit which the folks instill in us during childhood helps when stranded in a big city of strangers where I know no one in particular," Netta Carson reflected as she mused over the evening newspaper.

That habit which had become so much to the Carson family was to do—or resolve to do—a good deed for someone during New Year's day.

In recalling her life at home she came on an idea and then jumped to the practical application. Netta Carson sat down at her desk and took a fountain pen in hand. She wrote to the owner of the office building in which she worked. Her purpose was to tell him about the wonderful service Jed, the diminutive elevator boy, was giving, though none of the other building tenants took the time to appreciate it. It



New Year—New World

was almost a month later when Jed stopped and thanked her and informed her that he had received a two dollar raise on the strength of her praise and appreciation of him.

Another letter written to the chief of police, which praised the officer on the beat near where her rooming house was located, she discovered, was responsible for the officer receiving a promotion.

A note to the head of the department store where she bought her stockings and other fineries of life, praising the timid little sales girl at the glove counter resulted in the girl being moved to a better counter—not to mention a raise in pay.

During the course of that New Year's day she wrote and mailed about two dozen such thank-you letters to firms, officers and other employers. Thanking them for folks that other folks appreciate, too, but never seem to find time to thank.

NEW COLD WAVE

A new cold wave headed into Texas Saturday. Weather forecasts said temperatures ranging from 4 to 16 degrees would embrace the state. A 20-degree temperature was predicted for Cameron.

Phone us the news item you have.

Vince J. Ermis, AMM Expected Home Soon

Vince J. Ermis, aviation machinist mate, second class, Route 4, Cameron, served with Air Transport Squadron 12 of the Naval Air Transport Service after being detached recently to await transfer to the States and discharge.

The squadron is responsible for administration and aircraft maintenance of the far-flung NATS Pacific operation, which daily sends planes over 20,000 miles of air routes from Oak-

land to Tokyo, and Guadalcanal and the Philippines.

The fleet of huge 4 engined planes travels nearly half a million miles a month carrying more than 20,000 passengers, 125,000,000 pieces of mail and hundreds of tons of high priority cargo.

Sixteen daily trips are maintained between Oakland and Honolulu and six between Honolulu and Guam.

GRAND JURY RECALLED

Grand Jury in District Court, impaneled in November, has been recalled to convene on Monday, December 17.

John Thweatt, Justice of Peace at Maysfield, visited in Cameron Friday.

Dan Stephens of the Salty community, visited in Cameron this week.

FURS-TRAPPERS-FURS

For highest prices ship your MINK to C. P. Cloud & Son, Lampasas, Texas. Returns mailed same day furs received. Twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) special cash award given February 10th for largest Mink received up to that date.

P. O. Box 827

Phone L. D. 5

POLICE WARNING!

This is give notice that shooting of Fireworks in the city fire limits will be enforced and that extra police have been placed on duty to enforce this ordinance. I sincerely ask your cooperation in this matter as many complaints have been registered and it has been the policy for years to enforce this law and prohibit the shooting of fireworks here. It is also a Fire Hazard and property must be protected

DAN LUNSFORD, City Marshal



BEST WISHES for the COMING YEAR

..and Best Wishes to Everyone

★ We send you every good wish for a Happy New Year, and for health, happiness and prosperity throughout 1946. It has been a pleasure to serve you, and we highly appreciate your loyalty to us.

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R-U-AWARE?



We want you to be aware that just because we are endeavoring to make a living from our banking business is no reason we should not be touched with the finer sentiments of life. The most joy you gather from the ensuing year, the better we are pleased.

HAPPY NEW YEAR.



We are Very Appreciative of
Our Friends and Customers
and wish for them

A Merry Christmas
and
A Most Prosperous
and Happy New Year

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Edward Whitley

Christmas QUIZ

1. The national Christmas tree of America is located in (a) Indiana, (b) New York, (c) California, (d) Texas. ☐
2. The poinsettia plant owes its name to (a) Stanley Coulter, (b) Howard E. Enders, (c) James Madison, (d) Joel Roberts Poinsett. ☐
3. Mothers in America are overwhelmingly agreed that they (a) should, (b) should not teach their children to believe in Santa Claus. ☐
4. The nation's Christmas tree was dedicated on Christmas day (a) 1918, (b) 1925, (c) 1935, (d) 1940. ☐
5. If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas day, there will be (a) good, (b) medium, (c) bad crops the following year. ☐
6. A warm Christmas gives a (a) cold, (b) warm, (c) hot, (d) cool Easter. ☐
7. There are (a) 4, (b) 100, (c) 450, (d) 800 varieties of mistletoe grown in the various parts of the world. ☐
8. The mistletoe is the state flower of (a) Florida, (b) Delaware, (c) Oklahoma, (d) Mississippi. ☐
9. New England mistletoe is so small that botanists overlooked it until (a) 1776, (b) 1871, (c) 1900, (d) 1930. ☐
10. Rings of mistletoe were worn around the neck to prevent sickness in (a) Denmark, (b) France, (c) Spain, (d) Sweden. ☐

ANSWERS:

1. (c) California.
 2. (d) Joel Roberts Poinsett.
 3. (a) Should.
 4. (b) 1925.
 5. (a) Good.
 6. (a) Cold.
 7. (d) 800.
 8. (c) Oklahoma.
 9. (b) 1871.
 10. (d) Sweden.
- Rating—90-100, a genius; 80-90, excellent; 70-80, good; 50-70, fair; less than 50, you be the judge.
- Each correct answer counts a score of 10 points. Correct your own answers.

Jerry Kostroun of Route 1 was a Cameron visitor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Senkel were Cameron visitors on Friday.

WASHINGTON CONSIDERS FLOOD CONTROL DAMS

WASHINGTON.—Officials of the Brazos river reclamation and conservation district of Texas were to confer with a New York engineering firm this week end regarding four proposed dams in the district.

Conferences on the Whitney dam project which have been underway here were postponed at least until Monday until the return of Gen. Raymond Wheeler, chief of the army engineers.

Meanwhile, R. D. Collins of Mineral Wells, district manager of the conservation district, said he would ask the Ambursen Engineering corporation of New York to complete construction cost estimates and specifications for four proposed improvements: Turkey creek and Inspiration Point dams in Palo Pinto county near Mineral Wells, approximate cost \$3,750,000 each; Leon river dam and Lampasas river dam on tributaries of the Brazos near Belton and Temple \$7,000,000 each.

Before he leaves for New York, Collins said he will confer with officials of the federal works agency seeking funds to finance complete engineering plans for the four dams.

The conference here with army engineers regards the proposals of the Brazos district to assume control of the hydroelectric features of the \$20,000,000 Whitney dam. The dam

would be built about 30 miles from Waco.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

— FROM —
MILAM COUNTY CHILDREN

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good girl. I study hard at school, and mind my uncle and aunt that I live with, and I want you to bring me a doll and some dishes and a doll bed. Please bring my little brothers some toys, they have no daddy, and our mother is sick, so please bring them something. And bring my uncle and aunt something nice. They are so nice to me, and remember my teacher, Mrs. Honsbery, she is so sweet. From your friend.

Clemmie Yvonne McGrew.
Milano, Texas, Box 374.

Dear Santa Claus:

I'm in the third grade. For Christmas I want some house shoes, a telephone, a purse, sandy, oranges, and nuts. Don't forget my nephew, Eugene Carroll, and my brother in Tokyo.

With love,

Ennice Kleiber.



Pepsi-Cola Company, Long Island City, N. Y.

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Dear Santa:

I want a ball, a doll, and a purse.
Ruth Mae Pittman.

Dear Santa:

I want a doll, a ball, and a purse.
Elnora Pittman.

Dear Santa:

I want a purse, a doll and a ball.
Flora Pittman.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a doll and a color book and some crayons?

Thank you,

Barbara Cosby.

Jury Commission is Named Here; Will Meet December 19

The Jury Commission to name a Grand Jury and Petit Jurors for the January term of District Court, has been named by Judge John Watson as follows: Penn Wolf of Cameron; Bartle Crennan of Burlington and Cecil Criswell of Buckholts.

The jury commission will meet in Cameron Wednesday, December 19 to name the grand jury, petit jurors and special veniremen for January.

A STAR SPREE!
A SONG SPREE!
A LAUGH SPREE!
with
32 STAR-RIFIC Entertainers!



CAMERON THEATRE
SUNDAY AND MONDAY
DECEMBER 23 and 24

December 20, 1945

THE CAMERON HERALD—7

Rufus Reichert Now In Hospital From Stroke Here Monday

Rufus Reichert was said to be in a critical condition at Cameron Hospital with little change in his condition. He suffered a stroke at his home here Monday and is said to be partially paralyzed.

Mr. Reichert was reared at Sharp. He recently moved to Cameron where he has been associated with H. P. Culpepper in the operation of coin machines.

Mr. Reichert has offices at the Culpepper store where he assists in the business there which includes the machinery department.

Telephone your news to 282.

ARE THEY YOURS?

I have taken up and hold the following animals:

ONE PAIR OF BLACK MULES, about 15 hands high, about 10 or 12 years old, no marks or brands visible, weighing about 1000 pounds.

Have not been able to find owner. Will sell at City Pound Pen on December 24, 1945, unless owner pays charges and takes animals before this date. If you know owner please tell him.

DAN LUNS福德, City Marshal, City of Cameron

We know just how you feel...

We, too, have our hands full this time of year.

For us, December 24 and 25 are always busy days at long distance switchboards—and they will be busier than ever this Christmas.

There will be unavoidably long delays on long distance and some calls may not get through at all.

You will get quicker service a few days before or after the holidays.



To My Friends and Former Patrons

It is indeed a happy experience for me to have returned from my duty in the United States Navy, with an honorable discharge, to again renew associations with family and friends.

It is a time when all may now join in happy celebration of the Holiday Season, the ugly memory of war behind us. We may look to the Future with greater Hope that those who died may not have fought in vain. The Future must claim our unity of purpose to make effective our ideal so that we may never again have to pay the sacrifice in useless war.

I am happy to announce that beginning with the New Year,

1946, I will again be in business, back at my old place with my Texaco Service Station where the patronage and loyalty of so many enabled me to succeed and to serve you.

I trust that this message of Good Will finds you happy and may you enjoy an old Fashioned Christmas and in the New Year may you have in great abundance Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

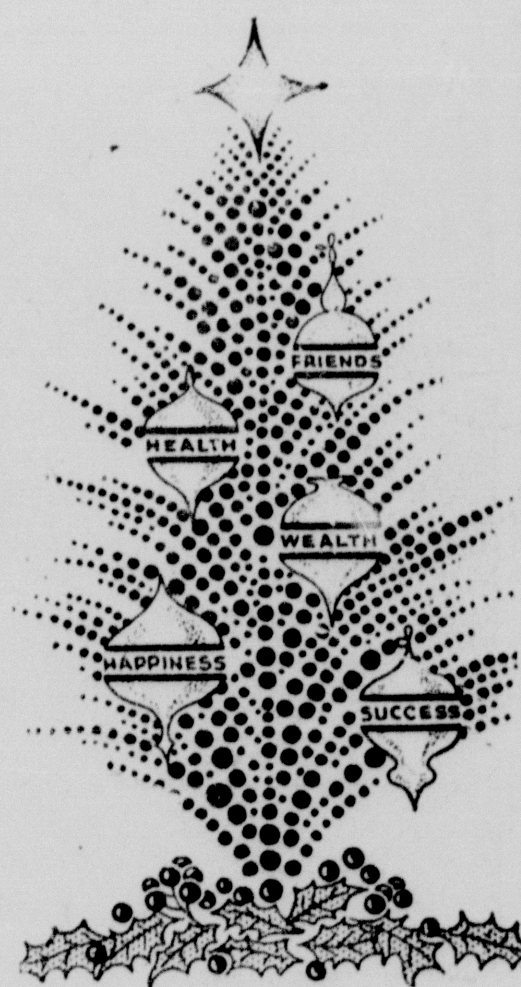
W. A. L. Robinson

THIS IS OUR WISH FOR YOU

Every business, regardless of size or type; every individual, is dependent upon someone else for support and existence. Our business is dependent upon our many loyal friends who have favored us in scores of ways during the past year.

It may have been through your patronage... it may have been a kind word of cheer... or it may have been an expression in our behalf to some friend of yours... but, in whatever way you may have favored us, we are thankful.

It is our hope that each of you may receive the blessings of a joyous Yuletide Season.



MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

McLane Company
Wholesale Grocers

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

— FROM —
MILAM COUNTY
CHILDREN

Dear Santa,

Can you come this Christmas even if it snows? If you will need any help let us know, Santa. We will gladly help you just so you come. All are waiting for you. So Santa, get ready for Marak where many trees grow. When you come please bring me a football and a baseball bat.

Thank you, Santa,
Johnnie Marak.

Dear Santa,

This year I am nine years old. I am in the third grade. I like to study Spelling very much and I am glad I can spell your name, Santa, come to see all of us at Marak, even Father Ben. All of us are waiting for you. Please bring me a notebook and a dolly. I know you will come even if it rains for you have big boots. So Santa, you can make it to Marak.

Thank you,
Julian Mae Janes.

Dear Santa,

Do you know me from last year? I am that small quick boy ten years old and in the third grade. Santa, do not forget to come to see us with a big pack, especially bring much to the poorer children. This year I would like to get a football. Also bring some toys and candy to my little brother and sisters.

I thank you,
Daniel Hromeik.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a ball and a glove this year, I am trying to be a good boy in school, at home and everywhere. Santa, I thank you for the present.

Good bye,
Billy Kostroun.

Dear Santa,

I am eight years old and in the second grade. I like to go to school. We learn much. We also draw. Soon we will also draw and color a picture of you. We will make it as nice as we can. Santa, before I stop I wish to tell you to please bring me a fountain pen and a ball.

I thank you,
Rudolph Tepera.

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl six years old and in the first grade. I like to go to school. We study much and at noon we play. I like to jump rope. Santa, will you please bring me a tricycle and a coloring book and a toy rattle for my little brother? We thank you. Good bye, Santa.

Frances Hubnik.

Dear Santa,

I am eight years old and in the third grade. I study much and at noon we play games. Sometimes, Spotty, our playdog, plays with us. He likes to bark at us, Santa, will you come to see us this year? If you will I shall sing for you, Dear Old Santa Claus, I like to sing. Please bring me a dolly and a little bed. Don't forget our soldiers too.

Thank you,
Emily Hubnik.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you, dear Santa. I am fine and trying to be good. Santa, if you have a fountain pen and a bat will you please bring it to me. If you do not have enough to give to all the children please first give to the poor children. Merry Christmas!

Laddie Dohnalik.

Dear Santa,

Please Santa bring some toys and goodies to the poor and the sick. Then, if you have anything left, bring me a doll and a bed. I like to play with dolls. I thank you.

Lillie Hromeik.

Dear Santa,

Please Santa come to Marak. We do not want Santa to be missing at Christmas time. Each one of us wants something. I would like to have a coloring book and colors. I thank you.

Angeline Dohnalik.

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy seven years old. This is the first year that I am going to school. I like to study and play. Santa, will you be so kind as to bring me a bicycle and a glove for Christmas. I like apples and candy, too.

I thank you,
Joe Bill Zalesky.

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy seven years old. And in the second grade. I like to go to school. We study everyday and at noon we play. I like to play ball. Santa, will you please bring me a tricycle and a ball?

Johnnie Hrachavy.

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl and I am eight years old and I am in the second grade. Maybe this year you do not have many toys to bring but can you bring me a tricycle? I have been a good girl this year, helping mother and father and studying in school. Come to school and I will read for you Santa. I am sure I will not miss a word. Santa, please bring a big load of goodies to all the soldiers. They deserve much.

I thank you,
Dorothy Vansa.

Dear Santa Claus:

Santa will you please bring me a doll, purse, ring, doctor set, and a bracelet? Please bring Bobby and me some nuts. Please bring my mother and daddy something nice, too.

Yours forever,
Patricia Beth Gandy.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a little boy's saddle? Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Jeff Burkes.

Dear Santa Claus:

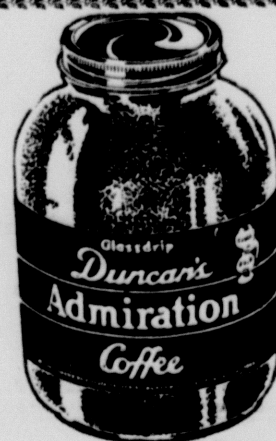
Please bring me a brown coat, a doll dressed in pink, brown house shoes and some apples, nuts, candy and oranges, and a black board.

Bonnie Joe Fikes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a school girl now. Please bring me a new doll and a toy doll house.

Thank you,
Ann Knipp.



Esslinger & Killen

Dear Santa Claus,

I am writing you to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a baby doll, a doll high chair, a baby buggy and a doll bed. I also want a telephone, and a wedding doll. I sure would like to have a blackboard too. Please leave plenty of candy, nuts, and fruit. Oh yes, Santa, I also want some dishes and a stove. Sure do hope you have lots of toys for all the little boys and girls. So, goodbye Santa, until Xmas.

Your little friend,
Dawn Beran.

Dear Santa Claus:

Just to remind you of the things I'd like to have for Christmas. I'd like to have a bracelet and a necklace. Please don't forget my little sister. Bring her a large doll and a gold locket.

We thank you, Santa.
Geraldine Abel.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl five years old and I want a doll and a tricycle and some nuts and candy.

Evelyn Vansa.

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Learn while you earn now—in the branch or service you choose, under Army specialist instructors . . . and later a free college or technical school education up to 4 years for 3 years' service.

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JOY TO THE WORLD!

JOY TO THE WORLD... That Christmas bells again can ring out to a world at peace... that this Christmas of 1945 the guns of war are silent, and freedom-loving peoples everywhere can again observe the Christmas season in its true spirit.

This Christmas finds many homes already lightened by loved ones returned from battlefields... and other families filled with the joyous anticipation of early reunion.

In the midst of our gladness, we are ever mindful of those who have sacrificed their well being or even life itself that "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" might be restored to the world.

And thus, as we look toward New Years of Peace, we say with a new, deeper meaning, "Joy to the World!" And to our customers and friends everywhere, we extend our sincere best wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous 1946.

TEXAS POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

The Cameron Herald

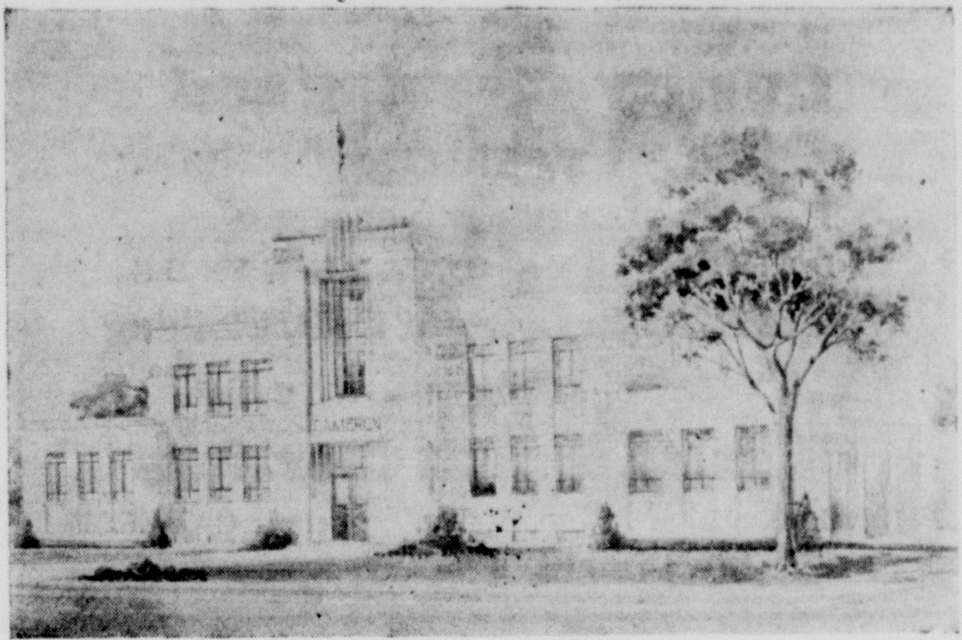
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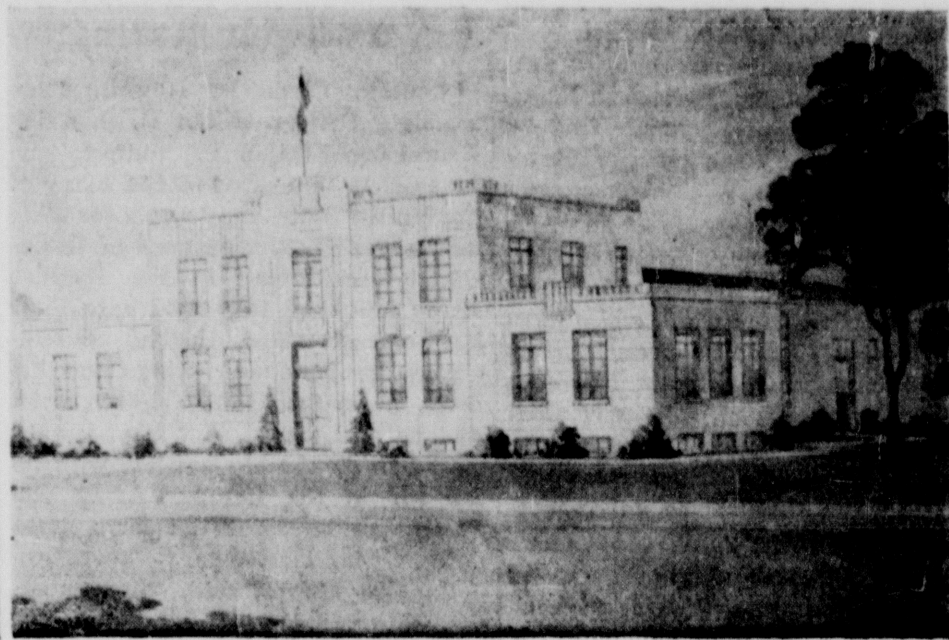
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1946 SEEN AS YEAR OF PROGRESS FOR CITY



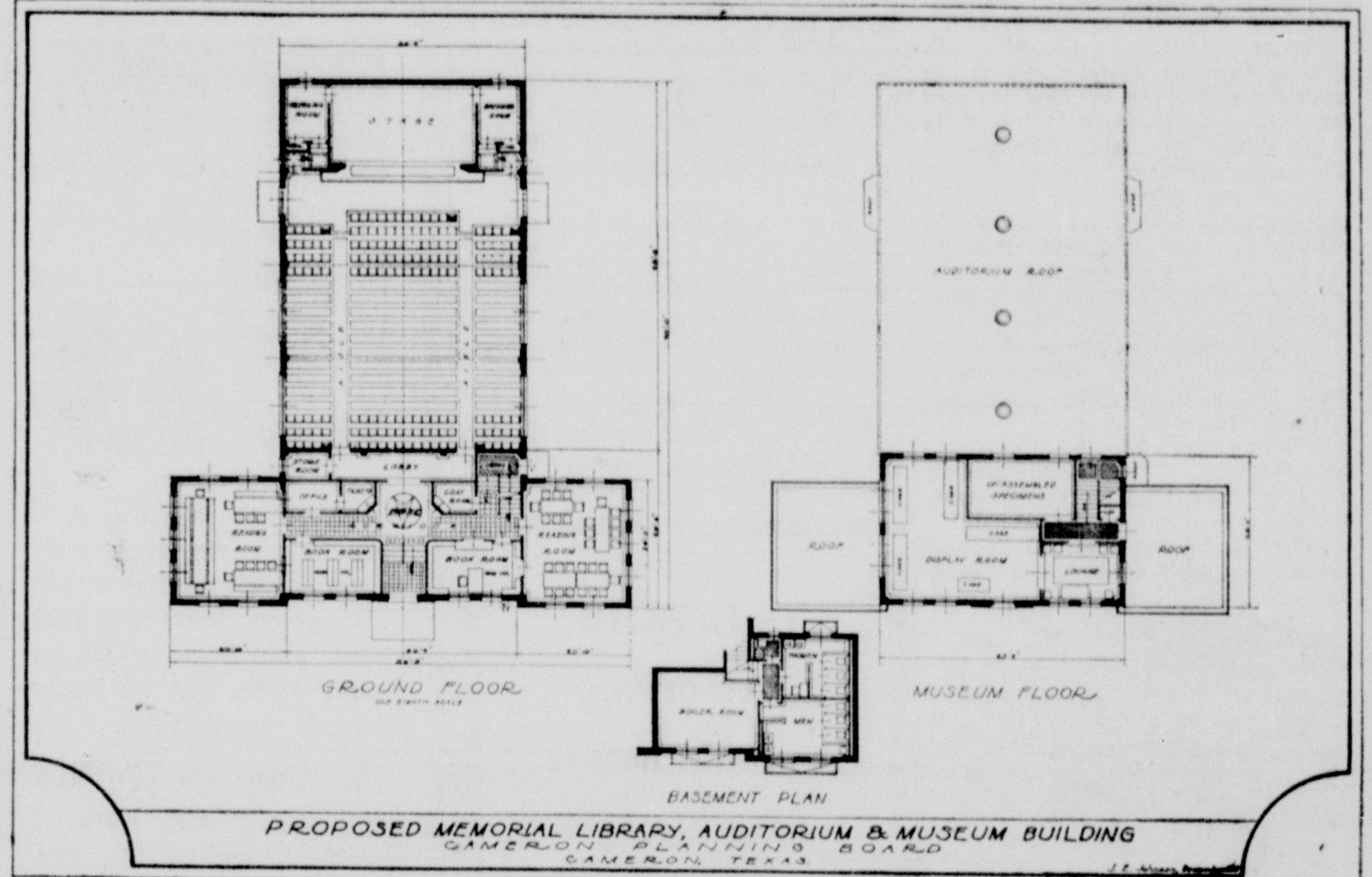
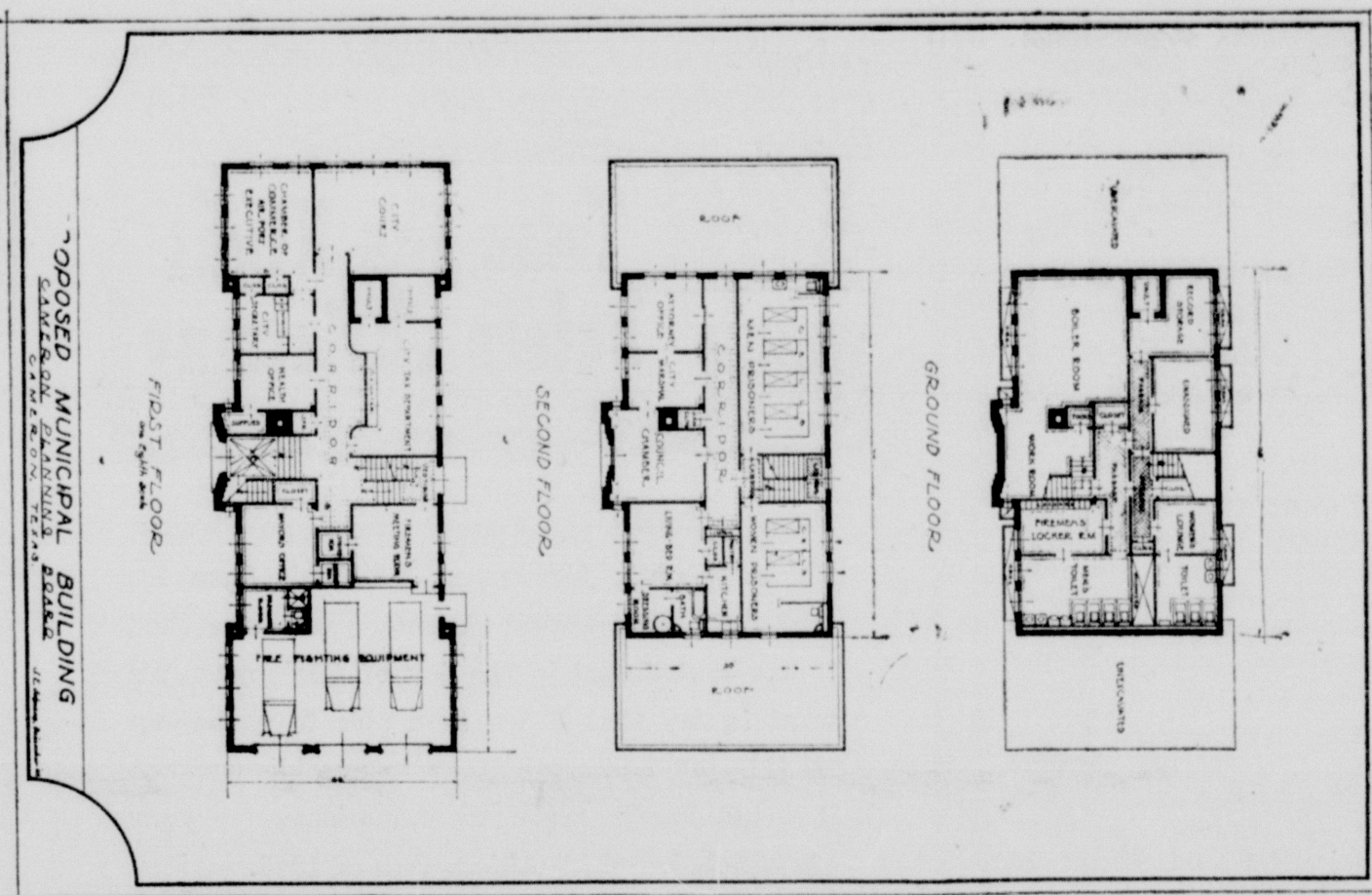
Proposed New Municipal Building Here

Here is the architect's conception of the proposed new Municipal Building for the city of Cameron, drawn by J. E. Johnson. This building is a companion structure of the Memorial Library, Auditorium and Museum. It will cost approximately \$50,000. This building is one of a number of improvements recommended by the Planning Board.



Proposed Memorial Building

The proposed Memorial Library, Auditorium and Museum building to be dedicated to the men who have given their lives in war and those who served their country in wars. This building, if erected, will cost approximately \$40,000. It was recommended by the Planning Board. Interested civic organizations are the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. J. E. Johnson is architect.



Expansion Formula Is In The Making Here

Looking to the New Year, the City of Cameron has an ambitious program of development.

The Planning Board in its report made in October outlined a schedule of public improvements that should see the city's various services modernized.

An immediate objective is the voting of \$232,000 in bonds for the construction of a Municipal Building, a Farmers' Market and a memorial Auditorium, Library and Museum building, and street paving.

These improvements are only a small part of the program which has been outlined in the Planning Board report.

If the city council will carry out the recommendations, the city's sanitary accommodations will be greatly expanded. There will be a lighting system and utility distribution lines will be put under ground in the first concrete face-lifting program the city has known.

The Planning Board has recommended a \$200,000 street paving program, \$100,000 immediately and \$100,000 in five years.

One of the chief recommendations is adoption of a home rule charter to take the city from under common law rule. Few cities have failed to adopt more progressive forms of government.

One of the greater needs is expansion of water mains to all sections of the city. Sewer lines are recommended and there is a plan for improved school facilities.

The Planning Board worked out this program under current revenues. There should be no increase in taxes.

The city, by reason of having reached 5000 in population can now levy \$3.25 total tax whereas the total levy is \$2.25. This additional taxing limit should give the city ample means to include other improvements over a long range period.

Of especial interest is Centennial Year in 1946 for Cameron will be 100 years old. These improvements are not without significance as the committee of which Oxsheer Smith is chairman, planned observance of Cameron's Centennial.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING IS PROPOSED FOR CAMERON

Among the proposed improvements for 1946 is the Municipal building for Cameron. One among a large number of improvements recommended by the Planning Board this building will relieve the taxpayers of more than \$20,000 in rent in 10 years and rentals now paid will liquidate the cost in 25 years.

The proposed municipal building is beautiful in its simplicity and if constructed under suggestions of Mr. Johnson, will feature Texas stone, either white or cork colored texture as used in the great San Jacinto Monument at Houston. The new court house in Austin is constructed of the cork colored stone, large quarries of which are located near the capital. The stone is easily worked and because of the economy granite had to be abandoned in the plans.

The new building provides space for all city departments, plus a council chamber, a court room and also a room for the Chamber of Commerce, Airport Executive, and one unassigned room which could be utilized for any one of a number of activities so necessary to the city but which now have no adequate housing.

Mayor Chas. C. Smith whose planning for the future of the city, created the Planning Board, will occupy an office built to facilitate handling of his official duties, which adjoins the court room.

Offices are similarly provided for Roy Baskin, City Attorney; Dan Lunsford, City Marshal; Dr. T. E. Crump, Health Officer; and Aldermen will also find accommodations, if their work demands. In fact all city activities are taken care of.

Special emphasis is given the offices of W. H. Stafford, Tax Assessor and Collector; the offices of Dan Tyson, City Secretary and Treasurer, where traffic is heavy. For convenience these offices are ultra modern and arranged for the greatest service to the people.

Emphasis is greatest on accom-

modations for the Firemen. The new building will house two of the largest types of fire fighting trucks plus a chemical truck. The resident fireman and his family will have large, modern accommodations. The plan as drawn shows cell blocks on the second floor but it has been suggested that this space be utilized for increasing living space for the resident fireman and for other purposes, since the need of jail space is so limited.

Firemen have showers, lockers, quick changing rooms, and even a lounge and club room is provided. John Bryan, President of the Firemen's association has expressed delight over these arrangements.

The building is 110 feet long and some 50 feet wide. Its cost will be around \$50,000. Plans are to locate Museum and Auditorium building on the city's property known as the park extension on North Fannin and Highway 77. The municipal building would face west while the Memorial to the War Dead would face north.

The grounds, spacious enough are to be landscaped and all driveways for parking are inside the grounds and away from highway and street traffic.

The Sabine Transportation Company is awaiting the construction of this building to erect a memorial fountain to the memory of five Cameron boys who lost their lives in this war in the service of the company.

W. J. Brashear, Shipfitter first-class has received his honorable discharge at Camp Wallace Separation Center, and has arrived at his home in Cameron. Brashear entered the service in July 1943 and has served 23 months in the Pacific and European theatres. He took part in the Invasion of Southern France. He and his wife, the former Mary Richter, who is employed with the Southwestern Bell Telephone company, are living at the Johnnie Andres home at the present.

Albert Sheguit has been honorably discharged from the Army. He has spent 34 months in the service, nine of which were spent overseas. He wears the American and European theatre ribbons with four battle stars, and has received the Combat Infantryman medal and the Good Conduct medal. He is the son of Mrs. Annie Sheguit of Route 3, Cameron.

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WAR MEMORIAL BUILDING PLANNED FOR CAMERON

Included in the post-war plans for Cameron is a memorial building to house a Library, Auditorium and Museum.

The City Council has instructed City Attorney Roy Baskin to draw an election order submitting to the people a proposed bond issue of \$232,000 for public improvements recommended by the Planning Board which was named by Mayor Chas. C. Smith in April of 1944.

The Planning Board report was made in early October. Plans for the Memorial Building were drawn by J. E. Johnson, architect. Plans have also been drawn for a proposed Municipal Building to cost approximately \$50,000. The engraving of the proposed Memorial has been in possession of The Herald for some time but has not been printed.

Floor plans of the memorial building will disclose the extent and arrangement of the structure. A special room has been set aside as a memorial to house both effects and tributes to the men who gave their lives in war. In this special room the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and parents of the patriots who died, have a special interest.

On the ground floor of this Memorial will be the auditorium and library. The second story will house the museum and memorial room for the war dead.

Architect Johnson has proposed this building along with the Municipal Building and a Farmers Market. The Memorial Building is proposed to be erected on the east section of the extension of the Central City Park and is a companion building to the Municipal building which would be located on the west section of the city's property. These plans are subject to such change as the city council may deem necessary.

Cameron stands in great need of a down-town auditorium available for public use. Currently the Youth Center movement is being encouraged by the prospect of use of the Memorial building.

The Memorial Building auditorium is planned complete with seating, stage and equipment rooms. Much care was evident in the planning for the Library with its reading rooms

and general good arrangement. Like other features of this building, the plan is subject to change.

The basement includes rest rooms and heating equipment together with storage space.

Mrs. J. H. Sapp will leave this week for Houston where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her children. She will return to her home in Cameron after the first of January.



Never before have we as a nation of people had more reasons to be grateful than this Christmas 1945. In joining with you to celebrate an Old Fashioned Holiday following Victory and Peace, I am deeply reminded of my obligations to my friends and customers.

The Year 1945 brought me added opportunities to serve you and your consideration of my garage enabled me to succeed in a measure I hope my efforts will deserve.

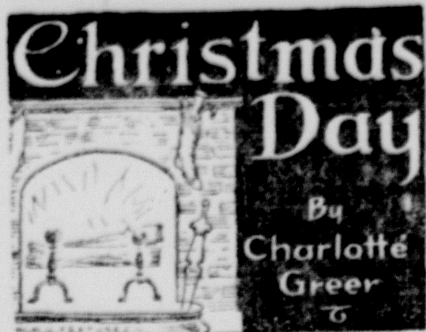
That you may be happy Christmas and in the New Year enjoy to the fullest Health, Happiness and Prosperity, is my sincere wish for all.

NOLAN DODSON

GARAGE

PHONE 171





"THE trouble with having such an all-fired modern family and trying to keep up with them," Alice told herself as she looked around the hotel dining room on Christmas Day, "is that modernism and Christmas just don't go together."

Her face felt as stiff as a hardened jelly mold from holding the smile she was determined not to relax, and internally she was positively wound up from the effort to emulate the rest of the gay, noisy people who were here instead of being at home where Alice thought they should be on that day above all others that has made your own fireside the place you most like to be.

While they waited for the entree she and William were alone, sitting at opposite ends of the long table watching their children dance. Each one had been permitted a guest of his own age, but Alice's eyes were focused on her tall, dark-haired Bill and his slim, golden-haired girl, Rosemary. Bill would soon be eighteen, that was why he fixed her attention.

William came over and sat beside her. "Happy, Alice?" he said, and covered her hand with his.

She returned his smile. After all, this spree was costing enough to have bought three or four turkeys for home consumption. "You were right, dear," she said. "The youngsters love it."

"Rosemary told me this is the one orchestra of all on the air that she'd choose to see," he said proudly. "It's a holy wonder her folks would let her out of the house on Christmas Day."

"The Custers are pretty old-fashioned people," said Alice, feeling that she was complimenting the girl's family.

"We're good for the Custers," said William. "They need stirring up. It's a fine thing for Rosie to get out and see a bit of the world."

"They're having their Christmas dinner tonight," said Alice. "Mrs.



"Happy, Alice?" he asked.

Custer has invited Bill before the young people go to the dance."

"Come on, Alice, let's show these kids what for." In spite of the crowd, William covered the ground as he had in college when she fell in love with him. She was glad that she had managed to have her hair done Saturday. The gardenias the children had given her to wear to church yesterday were still fresh. She'd let Sister wear them tonight if her date didn't crash through. Bill had bet Sis fifty cents he wouldn't.

The orchestra melted into "White Christmas," and young Bill tapped his father on the shoulder. "Mom's favorite, Dad. Let's change."

Alice said, "You dance almost as well as your Dad."

"Look at him, will you?" said Bill. "Quite the old boy."

Before long everyone was helping Bill and Sister dress for the dance. Bill lost his wager, and whistled over the red roses that were just right on the turquoise blue of Sister's frock.

She said Bill looked simply gorgeous in his tuxedo and when his father saw him he said, "Too bad they don't wear 'em in the army, son."

They heard Bill call Rosemary's number on the phone downstairs and then he closed the door for privacy. "Wouldn't you think," said Sister, "he'd give the poor girl a chance to take a bath? I bet she gets good and sick of him."

Suddenly Alice remembered a call she had forgotten to make about the baskets the church distributed yesterday. She flew to the upstairs' extension, and when she heard Bill still talking in leisurely fashion, she opened her mouth to say, as she often did when necessary, "Hang up, you two. I need the phone."

But she didn't say those words or any others. She listened a few moments and her eyes filled with tears. The disappointment and hurt at the way her family had preferred to spend their Christmas vanished as her very best Christmas present of 1945 was received on the wire.

"Heck no," Bill was saying. "I can hardly wait for an old-fashioned Christmas dinner. That hotel business was all Dad's idea so Mom wouldn't have to cook and wash dishes all day. None of us liked it at all. Mom had a good time, though."

HONOR ROLL FOR THE SECOND SIX WEEKS

Jimmy Colburn, Carol Ann Sanders, John Reichert, Billy Knipp, Dwight Hughes, David Hayes, Dawn Beran, Rita Reid, Dicky Booth, Barbara Humphrey, Millie McCall, Flossie Lunsford, Kay Cox, Grover McCullin, Richard Hester, Dayle Armystrong, Anita Archer, Geraldine Abel, Jeff Burke, Emory Camp, Theodore Fuchs, Tommie Grove, Sandra House, Dorothy Kelly, Tim Kennedy, Frieda Knipp, Tillie Lawrence.

Second Grade

Tom Collins, Dicky Denson, Flisher Frederick, Nick Nabours, Joyce McLain, Joyce Nicholson, Kenneth Stufflebeme, Billy Tindall, Bobby Witcher, Tommie Collins, Gloria Ann Blake, Joyce Edmonds, Nelwyn Heffington, Clara Matula, Rene Miller, Betsy Vogelsang, Joyce Winkinson.

Third Grade

Helen Armstrong, Nan Hubert, Lillie Ann Jekel, Barbara McDonald, Nita Nabours, Billie Price, John Morris Duncum, Claude Sanders, Emmett Streetman, Jean Bradbury, Lou Ann Brock, Judith Bryan, Rosemary Clifton, Nancy Grabein, Micky Grove, Wayne Miller, Don Obermiller, Alton Sanford, Pat Stufflebeme, Joyce Wallace, Ann Wimberly.

Fourth Grade

George Childress, Jimmie Echolz, Dick Jenness, Billy Jo Reynolds, Allen Schiller, Roger Shumate, Ronnie Wade, La Vern Dodson, Jane Henderson, Gloria Jackson, Nancy Jane Lawrence, Gloria Raymond, Martha Collins, Becky Gohmert, Johnny Green, Ann Hinyard, Ben Hubert, Rose Marie Komar, Donald Rose, Franklin Stewart.

Fifth Grade

Eddie Stone, Charlotte Collins, Mary Frances Hinsley, Shirley Smith, Frances Vogelsang, Frank Sommer, Ann Bradbury, Sara Eslinger, Martha Swanzy.

Sixth Grade

John Henderson, Charles Kahler, Hill Swift, Billy Weideman, Virginia

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Over First National Bank

Cameron, Texas



Holiday Cheer

NOEL! NOEL!

While ageless Christmas carols fill the air this thought comes to mind. We would like to share with you our Yuletide happiness, and to feel that in this year of grace, 1945, Christmas will mean more to you than it has meant for years past.

Lunsford Shoe Shop



Graham, Elois McGoldrick, Leland Green, Boyce McClellan, Glenn Rosenberg, Barbara Walton.

Seventh Grade

Lanell Kuehl, Yvonne Wimberly, Billy Bob Adams, John Dean Gilpin,

Eighth Grade

Ann Brock, Edith Lee Baldrige, Ina Gene Kirk, Sammie Dell Markham, Elene Obermiller, Doris Senkel, Ronald Hudson, Claudell Robinson, Wallace Collins, James Kahler, Albert McCullin, William Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ruzicka of Buckholts were Cameron visitors Friday.

Non-Coms Reenlisting In Regular Army May Retain Their Ratings

Captain Clyde E. Howell, Commanding Officer of the U. S. Army Recruiting Station in Temple, said today that Non-Coms of the Army of the United States may apply for their discharges for the purpose of immediately reenlisting in the Regular Army and they may hold onto their hard-earned strips. Instead of temporary grades these ratings now become permanent, the Captain said, and he also stated that if you want to get in on the big pay off with no lay off in the Regular Army you must reenlist within 20 days after date of your discharge.

Captain Howell said, "Remember,

soldiers, you will get your reenlistment allowances, furlough with mileage travel pay, benefits of family allotments, and the GI Bill of Rights, your choice of branch of service if you sign up for at least three years. You get to keep your rank, collect your mustering out pay, and above all, have a good pay job as long as you live." The Captain also pointed out that the retirement age has been changed under the new Regular Army regulations and a veteran now may retire after he has served in active status for 20 years, then join the reserve corps for 10 years and retire in the 30-year bracket with a substantial income for the remainder of his life.

"Men," the Captain said, "here is the point I want to stress, many of you between the ages of 18 and 34 are undecided about your future, you do not want to return to school, or maybe you do not want to return to your old job under present conditions. Soldier, if this is the case, come back into the army. You will never be satisfied in civilian life, believe me, I tried it. Think this over and figure the checks you receive as a civilian compared to the pay and allowances you get in the army and I am sure it will not take you long to decide which way to turn."

The Army needs and wants all former skilled army men and you owe

it to yourself to investigate, at your nearest recruiting office, the benefits that you will derive from reenlisting in the Regular Army.

Joe Bailey has received his honorable discharge from the Navy. He served three years in the Navy with two years of that time being spent in the Philippines. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bailey of Ben Arnold.

Mrs. R. M. Haddox is visiting in Hearne this week.

Want ads get results. Try them.

Joe Luce is in Houston on business.

Mrs. J. M. Terry is ill in the Cameron Hospital.

A bad habit is something that other people insist upon doing.

We wish for you Good Health and Prosperity in the New Year.

We don't experiment with your radio—we repair it—you pay less for your service. Any make radio. Parma Radio Service.

Phone us the news item you have.

Quality Cleaning and Pressing

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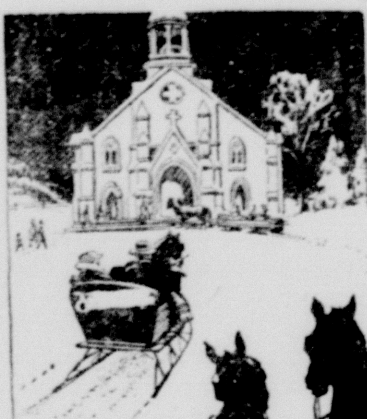
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CAMERON



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Christmas is here. And once more we find ourselves at a loss for words to express how we feel about your loyalty to us during 1945. But we know you will understand.

We wish for you and your family the best of Merry Christmases, and the best that this happy season can bring in both material and spiritual blessings.

Palace Barber Shop

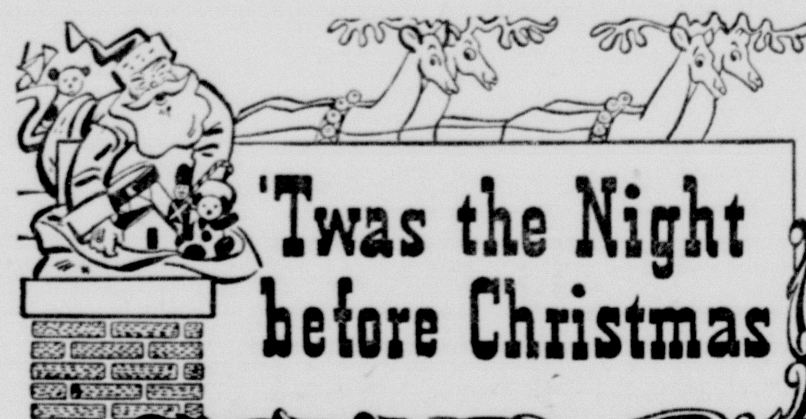


To our friends, wherever you may be at this happy Christmas Time, we send our greetings and sincere best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We look forward to renewing these associations in the New Year. We are always striving to serve you better and better as the years go by.

Cameron Hotel

MRS. LEILA JANEWAY, Manager



'Twas the Night before Christmas

One hundred and twenty years ago Clement Clarke Moore's jolly poem, "A Visit from St. Nicholas," first appeared. Each year since then it has contributed to the joy of Christmas. We want to say that if we were able to gather up all this joy and wrap it up in one big package it would hardly represent our wishes for your Christmas happiness this season of 1945.

Eixman Grocery and Cafe



YULETIDE JOY

Hearty and cheery

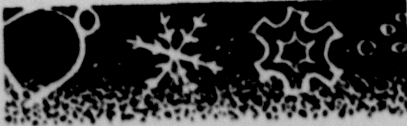
And happy and true,

And ever so fervent

Merry Christmas to you.

Jerry Schiller Motor Co.

DODGE and PLYMOUTH DEALER



Season's Greetings

When all is said and done the eternal quest of human beings is for happiness. Our wish for you in 1946 is for MORE happiness . . . more than you have ever known before, whether that happiness be in gainful occupation of the attainment of some long desired goal.

Thank you for having remembered us so generously during the past year.

Duke & Ayers



All the elements are in the air for an Old Fashioned Christmas and Friendship such as we hold for you can best be expressed with the old, familiar saying: "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

There is much — much more we could say for we are happy in the thought of your many favors during the year and above all Peace has come and homes will be happy again.

If you realize every good thing in 1946 it will be nothing more than our sincerest wish for you.

Matula's Cash Grocery

SANTA FE TOWN

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Christmas Again

Who will say that smiles were brighter or spirits keener at Christmases of our fathers than they are today?

At any rate, friends and neighbors, that's the kind of a Christmas we are wishing for you this Yuletide of 1945 — just a good old fashioned Christmas.

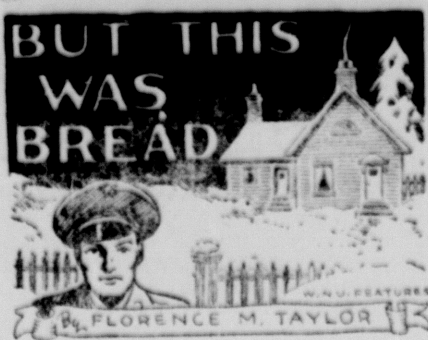
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Texas



PEOPLE on the snow-packed downtown streets were scurrying home. Wretchedly Private Kane hunched his shoulders deeper into his Army coat. It was Christmas Eve—and his last furlough. What should he do with himself? And he didn't even have a bed.

A sign on a door read "Bundles for America," and he went in. At a desk a woman was warning, "Miss Rigsby, don't shove the candy into these stockings too hard. The net tears."

"I'm sorry," Miss Rigsby's hands fluttered. "I—I guess I don't do much good." Private Kane figured she must be seventy.

The young woman urged, "You'd better go home now. It's dark. You've helped a lot, really." She informed Private Kane, "Homes Registry—244 Market Street—will get a room for you." Then added, "Merry Christmas."

At the door he stood looking out. Merry Christmas! That was a laugh. Christmas meant home and he'd never had one. Not that he hadn't appreciated the orphanage. But he was to be shipped soon and perhaps—perhaps he might never know what a home was like.

His Army buddies wore mittens knitted by mothers, sweaters by aunts. They whisked out family pictures, pictures of sweethearts. And he—he had nothing! His chest hurt him, and his cough was harsh. "Liniment's good for that, soldier."

It was the little lady. Her black hat sat high on her head. He thought, Her ears will be cold.

"Rub your chest and put flannel over it." Her hands made a darting gesture to push his collar close about his neck. She was the kind who mothered everybody. "You—you could sleep at my house," she said timidly. "You—maybe have an engagement first—"

What could he lose? But as he



"You could sleep at my house," she said.

helped her into a taxi he regretted his impulse to accept.

The driver stopped in front of a toy of a house. Snow peaked the fence posts and was like crushed diamonds on the walk. She opened a door into the kitchen, and Private Kane looked around at the fancy lamp with glass prisms, the elegant silver canister on the worn red and white checked tablecloth. "Where's everyone?" he asked.

"I live alone." Her blue eyes were apologetic. "I told you you'd better go on and have a jolly Christmas Eve—"

He lifted a stove lid on the range. A red glow flickered. He dumped in coal and opened the drafts with an authoritative flip. "It'll be cozy in no time. Better getcha some coal."

"You shouldn't have all this trouble," she protested.

"Trouble!" A wry grin twisted his lips. "Say, don't take off your coat. We're going to shop."

Private Kane and Miss Rigsby selected carefully. He stopped before a fir. "Let's buy it." Private Kane smiled as he set his purchases down at the door. "You wait here a minute." Of course, he reminded himself, this was only make-believe having a home. Just the crumbs.

He had bought her a fleecy blue scarf when he asked her to wait. Back at the house he set the table. The silverware was carved with cherubs. "Gosh, that's swell hardware."

After supper they trimmed the tree. "Tinsel's a little tarnished," she said. "Oh! The angel!" She held it tenderly. "Pa always fastened it on the very top."

His eyes lingered on the lamp, the tree, the silverware. Gosh, the quiet of it! Crumbs to remember. "You—could have a room of your own—" she stopped. Then, "If—if you wanted to come back here. After the war, I mean." She pushed a round fat object into his hand. "It was Pa's. I want you to have it."

Private Kane sat up. "Me?" he breathed. "Me!" The watch was heavy and solid. He turned it over, observing the grand manner in which it was carved. "Thanks. Aw, gee—"

"Merry Christmas," she beamed. "Merry Christmas to you!"

Once more his eyes swept the room. Home! Why—this wasn't crumbs. This was bread!



We look to the future. There is much about the past — the months that have sped by in 1945 to hold our attachments but the world moves and the watchword is progress.

In the years we have served as Abstractors we have gained and still retain fast and loyal friends and it is to those we wish now to express our thanks and to welcome the new friends who have found our services all they demand in Abstracts.

We have much more for which to be thankful at this Happy Season. The war is over and Victory

has come to our arms. Our boys are coming home and Christmas will again be happy for many homes. To those who paid the supreme sacrifice we dedicate our efforts to achieve the things for which they died. We must not fail them.

We hope this finds you Happy and in the New Year may your portion be only Good Cheer, Health and Prosperity.

Fidelity Abstract Co.

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EVERY DAY IN THE YEAR



For years it has been a pleasure beyond our power to express, at this time to send Christmas and New Year greetings to Friends and Patrons.

I find that in 1945 you were so friendly and so considerate of MAGNOLIA products that it is with more than the usual of appreciation that I express my gratitude. Friends old and true, new friends that warm the heart are among the many blessings of the year.

In expressing this gratitude I want each one to know that in 1946 your Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity, are my first and sincere wish for all.

JESSE BROCK

Agent

FOR MAGNOLIA PETROLEUM CO.



Sincere Holiday Greetings To All

It is indeed a Pleasure to join in the spirit of the Happy Christmas Season and to extend to you, my Friends, my sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

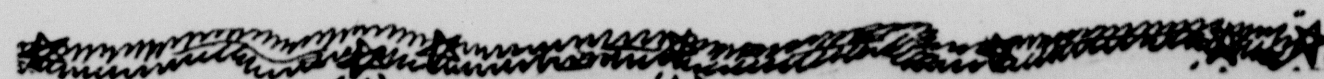
I am thinking now of the many, many friends who have been so kind and considerate of me in the past. Your confidence, expressed in so many ways, makes me deeply and lastingly grateful to you.

With Peace now restored to the world

we can renew old time, happy associations at home. We have the deepest feeling of loss for those who will not be coming back. We must pledge our all to keep their memory green and to carry on for the ultimate goal of the things for which they fought and died.

May you be happy at Christmas and in the New Year I will be more than pleased if you have Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

W. W. 'Dock' MARKHAM



BEN L. FOYT IS HELD FOR LOCAL ROBBERIES

Ben L. Foyt, parolee from the Texas prison, is under arrest in Houston for car theft and exploitation of his case led to his being charged in Milam, Bell and Austin counties for burglaries.

When arrested, Foyt had three stolen cars in his possession, and is being charged in Harris county with theft of automobiles.

Sheriff Carl Black returned late Wednesday from Houston where he checked with officers there and reported that Foyt will be charged here with two burglaries, the robbery of Skeezix package store of 10 cases of liquor and the robbery of the Walker store at Milano.

Sheriff Black recovered nine cases of liquors and returned them to E. C. Cammer at Skeezix. Among the loot found was merchandise and a radio belonging to Mr. Walker at Milano. A meat slicer stolen from a store in Bell county recently was also found and Bell county officers have filed on Foyt. Officers at Bellville identified three cases of spotlights stolen there.

Mr. Black said another man is being sought. Foyt and a partner, now being sought, were in business in Houston, having recently engaged in it.

Foyt, one of hundreds of criminals let out of prison, was paroled to the Salvation Army. He was serving a term for burglary. His partner is a life-terminer, serving 99 years as a habitual criminal, but was released on parole. Officers are amazed at the looseness of the parole and pardon system in Texas.

Efforts to connect Foyt with the burglary of the Cameron Package store of Jack Owings have not been successful thus far. Officers here said Foyt admitted he had been in Cameron a lot and had sold whiskey in Brownwood.

When the merchandise was found in his possession he said he had bought it from a man whom officers are now searching for. Looting had enabled the men to open a store in Houston.

Miss Nora Hailes of Buckholts was a welcome visitor in Cameron this week.

Ordinance Prohibits Shooting Fireworks In Fire Limits Here

Shooting of fireworks in the fire limits of the City of Cameron is prohibited by ordinance.

It has been customary for the city to issue a notice of the existence of this ordinance which is both a protection against fires and annoyance of shoppers.

During recent nights boys shooting fireworks have gone into the residence section, exploding torpedoes and fire crackers near windows where residents are asleep.

There has never been any regulation against shooting fireworks in the city limits but an ordinance against such practice in the fire limits which includes the business district is still in force and it would be a fine gesture of cooperation if all would refrain from this practice.

Of special significance is the complaint from ex-service men who have not yet recovered from their battle experiences. These bombs and torpedoes and firecrackers make them jittery and bring back too much of what they went through in hell on the battle fronts.

RECEIVES PROMOTION

Naval Air Station Kaneohe, T. H.—Pohn H. Yakesch of Milano, has been advanced to aviation machinist's mate first class. Yakesch is the son of Mrs. Alvina Bullard of Milano.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Prue and daughter of Beeville visited Mrs. Prue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hohenstein this week. Mr. Hohenstein, who has been ill, is reported to be improved at this time.

John W. Albritton of Sandy Ridge transacted business in Cameron Wednesday.

R-U-AWARE?



GUINEA PIG
IS NOT A PIG BUT A
RODENT AND DOES NOT
COME FROM GUINEA. IT
ORIGINATED IN SOUTH
AMERICA.

We can't come to each of our customers' doors to extend greetings, so we are taking this opportunity to say to ALL of you: "Let there be light, song and gladness in your heart." That is the wish we send you with this Christmas greeting . . . MERRY CHRISTMAS.



NEW YEARS AT THE CORNERS



"POP," Maw Levis called from the kitchen, "you get your lazy bones out of that chair and wash up! Dinner'll be ready in two shakes of a lamb's tail."

Pop managed to lift his six feet of bone and sinew to his feet and headed for the kitchen sink.

"Don't you go usin' that clean towel, neither," Maw admonished. "That's for company. Use the roller towel. Sakes alive, I do believe you'd wipe your dirty feet on the front door mat if I'd leave it out."

"What's a door mat fer," Pop flared, "if it ain't to wipe feet on?"

Pop gave the roller towel a vicious jerk. "Y'know tonight bein' New Year's Eve, Maw, you 'nd me ought to step out somewheres. They're having a big shindig over at the



"Jed Hafey's openin' a keg."

Corners store. Jed Hafey's openin' a keg."

"If it's anything like that keg he opened Thanksgiving, you ain't gettin' any nearer to it than you are right now. Pretty howdy-do, you comin' home six o'clock in the mornin' and shootin' off the shotgun through the roof so it leaks like a sieve. No, siree, you ain't even gettin' near enough to have a smell of any keg Jed Hafey opens," Maw said.

Suddenly Pop looked up from his plate. "Well, consarn! What you cryin' about, Maw?"

"I ain't cryin'," Maw denied. "I'm just thinkin'—thinkin' back fifty-two years. You was payin' attention to me and kind o' jealous like. I couldn't turn 'round but what you was kissin' me. You was jealous o' Jed Hafey—jealouser than anything."

Pop snorted disdainfully. "What'd I have to be jealous o' Jed Hafey fer? Tell me that."

"Plenty," Maw said, "I was going to marry him."

Pop dropped his fork. "You was a-goin' to marry Jed?"

"Sure. Only his folks wanted him to marry Edda Stout. She owned all the bottom land nearly in Clarke county. He couldn't marry me until he was of age, on account o' his folks wantin' him to marry Edda. In a year he figures he can get all her money and then divorce her and marry me. Meanwhile he said I might as well marry you, then when he got all Edda's money I could divorce you and marry him. Said you was about the most harmless male bein' in all Clarke county and no harm would come to me marryin' you. He said if I married anybody else I might fall in love with him and then he'd lose out."

"So that was the way o' things! I remember. Jed did divorce Edda a year or so later. How come you never told me this before, Lil? And how come you not to divorce me and marry Jed after he got his divorce?"

"How come?" Maw said. "Well, Pop, I guess maybe you was kind o' responsible for that. Ain't no tellin' how a woman looks at things until she's hogtied to a man. I just kind o' forgot about Jed. Money didn't matter so much, after all. I found out it was the man that mattered. You kind o' had good ways about you, Pop. Different kind o' ways, only they was the right kind. Made a girl think twice afore jumpin' from the fryin' pan into the fire. You was good enough for me, I found. There was any better men'n you, I wouldn't have no way o' knowin', o' course. Everything was so nice I didn't think it could be any nicer, so I just decided to hang onto you and let Jed root for himself."

"By gum!" Pop exclaimed after a moment's reflection. "Now I am a-goin' to that keg openin' tonight if it kills me. And you're a-goin' with me, Lil. I won't have Jed thinkin' he didn't get cheated in the deal, consarn his danged hide! If I go without you he'll think I don't care none about you, and I want to make him feel right good and jealous."

"Jed jealous after fifty-two years?" Maw said incredulously.

"Well, if he ain't he ought to be! Happy New Year, Maw!"

"I'll go," Maw said, "but remember, Pop Levis, if you get drunk tonight I'll break the mop handle over your head when we get home—that is, if I'm still able to tell a mop handle from a crowbar."



Sincere Greetings

This pioneer firm has seen many Christmases come and go and always, no matter what the sacrifices of our people, they have found time to be generous and kind.

At this time we, as a people, have much more to be grateful for than a year ago. Peace and Victory have come and many hearths will see again united families. Wherever you are our best wishes will be there with you.

In genuine appreciation for your many favors we send our sincere hopes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Years for you and yours.

A. J. Matocha & Co.

HARDWARE

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

With Peace now reigning and a well done by our fighting men all over the world, it is a time for Happiness and for Giving Thanks.

Expressing our sincere gratitude to our customers and friends is indeed a pleasure for we have much for which to be grateful. Your patronage made the year 1945 a successful one for us and we are

looking forward to 1946 and the return of normal merchandising conditions that we may serve you better with the things you need and want to buy.

We hope this expression of our Friendship and Good Will finds you happy and may your Christmas be bright and the New Year bring you in generous portion, Good Health and Prosperity.



Western Associate Store



To Our Friends

By the time this Christmas Greeting reaches you I hope to have established my business in my own building, mindful of the many favors that came my way in 1945. Recently selling my business at Brown's Humble Service Station, I have constructed a new service station on Highway 77 where I hope to greet you many times in 1946.

No one has had more loyal friends and patrons. For each one I hold the sincerest gratitude and wish for each one the Merriest Christmas and in the New Year 1946 may Happiness, Good Health and Prosperity be yours in that generous measure I covet for all. I invite my old friends and customers to visit me at my new station.

CHAS J. BROWN

HUMBLE PRODUCTS

CAMERON HIGHWAY 77

Evolution Given Of Santa Claus

St. Nicholas and Santa Claus met at the Sunday School Christmas party and, being sort of busy right then, agreed to rendezvous at midnight under the Christmas tree.

St. Nicholas, a lean Asiatic wearing his miter and canonical robes, spoke first:

"I lived in Asia Minor some 1600 years ago. I was Archbishop of Myra and, while living on earth, I did drop a few purses of gold down a poor man's chimney so his daughters could be supplied with dowries. European countries celebrate my liturgical Feast Day—December 6—as a day of gift-giving and for centuries I rode across Europe on my old gray mare; my pockets bulged with apples and nuts and trinkets, which I gave to good children while switching the naughty



Santa at army outpost.

ones with my bundle of birch rods. But what is all this Christmas business—and where did that red suit come from?"

"When the Dutch settlers came to America," replied Santa Claus, "They brought many legends about St. Nicholas with them. These legends, with writers and cartoonists cooperating, gradually slipped into American traditions; Santa Claus started coming around at Christmas time; Washington Irving suggested the sleigh and reindeer in 1809; Thomas Nast supplied the red suit, and Dr. Clement Moore sort of tied the whole idea together when he wrote 'The Visit of St. Nicholas' in 1822."

Someone forgot to turn out the lights after the Sunday School party—and St. Nicholas was so interested in Santa's zippered boots that he forgot his bundle of birch rods.

Santa Claus Is Bearer of Gifts In Many Lands

Mothers of America are overwhelmingly agreed that parents should teach their children to believe in Santa Claus.

At least that is the conclusion drawn from a recent opinion poll by a leading woman's magazine.

One of the women polled made an answer typical of many: "Belief in Santa Claus is one of the beautiful wonders of childhood. It gives us a period in which dreams come true and anything is possible."

Christmas is like heaven on earth for the very young, the magazine points out. But as America moves from war to peace, there is an inevitable emphasis on reality and truth. No one wants to fool or be



They knew he would come.

fooled. Therefore, should even happy myths be promoted?

Should children still be taught to believe in Santa Claus? Should they enjoy all the magic of childhood while they can, including the traditional myths, or should they be told the truth in preparation for the adult world they must some day face?

Considering these questions, the opinion poll asked a group of women representing a cross-section of millions of American homes, "Do you think parents should teach their children to believe in Santa Claus?"

The response was decisively affirmative. More than 87 per cent of the women voted "yes."

"If a child thinks of Santa as a man there will be eventual disillusionment," commented one woman. "But Santa portrayed as the spirit of giving remains a beautiful idea." Another woman pointed out: "Santa is as real as Uncle Sam."

HEARNE PRISON CAMP TO CLOSE JANUARY 1

The first of the military establishments to be discontinued in this area will be the Prison camp at Hearne.

Unofficially The Herald has been told that the camp will be discontinued after January 1, 1946. The camp was established in 1942 and used to accommodate German prisoners of war.

The government, while building new hospitals, has announced its intention to abandon McCloskey hospital at Temple as a military medical center. The Veterans Administration is being urged to take over this 25 million dollar hospital. The future of Camp Hood has not been determined.

The Hearne prison camp was the scene of a disgraceful flag lowering incident in 1943. German musicians refused to play at an entertainment given by the camp commander because an American flag was being flown over the band stand. The flag was ordered lowered. The occurrence brought an investigation and the commanding officer was transferred.

James Brock, who is with the Texas Power and Light Company, has been transferred to Athens.

Sheriff Carl Black and District Attorney Ed Gunn are in Houston on business.

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Regular Army Offers Varied Opportunities

The Regular Army offers you an active career of service to our country and the opportunity for a lifetime of interesting and broadening experiences.

Furlough up to ninety days will be granted to men with six months or more service, provided they enlist within twenty days after discharge.

Members of the Army of the United States not having a Regular Army status may apply for discharge for the specific reason of enlisting in the Regular Army. They will be enlisted in the highest grade held at the time of discharge and will retain all authorized benefits and allowances.

Qualified men between the ages of

17 and 34, inclusive, are eligible for enlistment in the Regular Army. Applicants who are less than 18 years of age must have the written consent of their parents or guardian.

Testimonial Available For Discharged Service Men and Women

The Presidential Testimonial is now ready and available for all discharged service men who present discharge papers for same.

The discharged service men shall present his discharge papers of suitable proof of honorable separation from military service to his nearest recruiting station.

The Testimonial reads as follows: "To you who answered the call of



THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 and 21



Your Country and Mine

Most American Citizens at some time or another have stood with bared heads before the flag of the United States and taken this pledge:

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the
United States of America and to the
Republic for which it stands; one Nation
indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

JUSTICE FOR ALL

This does not mean justice for one group and injustice for another group. It means what it says—justice for ALL.

It means justice for the farmer and the merchant. It means justice for the laborer and management. It means justice for the poor and the rich. It means what it says—Justice for All.

When every Public Officer who has stood with bared head and taken this pledge makes this pledge his political creed then we shall be breaking into the fullness of day and emulating the principles established by Him 1945 years ago, whose coming we celebrate this Christmas Day.

I want to express to the people of Milam county my sincere appreciation for their splendid cooperation and their Good Will. It is with the most profound feeling of gratitude that I send my Greetings to all and to wish for all a Merry Christmas and in the New Year may each have in complete measure an abundance of Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

A. N. GREEN

STATE REPRESENTATIVE, MILAM COUNTY



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your country and served in its Armed Forces to bring about the total defeat of the enemy, I extend the heartfelt thanks of a grateful Nation. As one of the Nation's finest, you undertook the most severe task one can be called upon to perform. Because you demonstrated the fortitude, resourcefulness and calm judgment necessary to carry out that task, we now look to you for leadership and example in further exalting our country in peace.

(Signed) "Harry Truman"

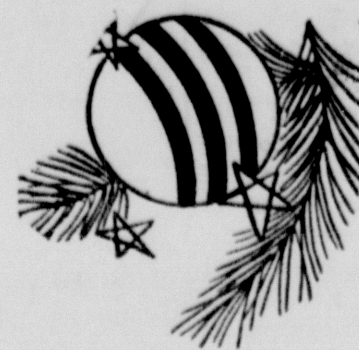
J. B. Turney was a business visitor here this week.

George Andrews of Rockdale visited in Cameron this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Wollup shopped in Cameron this week.

Mrs. Sam Walker of Brady was a Cameron visitor Friday.

Mrs. Winnie Harrell of San Gabriel visited in Cameron this week.



Cameron Theatre

Saturday, December 22
"WILDFIRE"

Bob Steele and Sterling Holloway

Sunday and Monday, December 23 and 24
"DUFFY'S TAVERN"

All Star Cast

Tuesday, December 25
"TOO YOUNG TO KNOW"

Joan Leslie and Robert Hutton

Wednesday, December 26
"NONE BUT THE LONELY HEART"

Cary Grant and Diana Barrymore

Thursday and Friday, December 27 and 28
"RHAPSODY IN BLUE"

Joan Leslie and Paul Whiteman

Saturday, December 29
"MEN IN HER DIARY"

Jon Hall and Louise Allbritton

Sunday and Monday, December 30 and 31
"HER HIGHNESS AND THE BELLBOY"

Hedy Lamarr and Robert Walker

Tuesday, January 1
"GEORGE WHITE'S SCANDALS"

Jack Haley and Joan Davis

Wednesday, January 2
"EASY TO LOOK AT"

Gloria Jean and Kirby Grant

Thursday and Friday, January 3 and 4
"FALLEN ANGEL"

Alice Faye and Dana Andrews

Saturday, January 5
"RADIO STARS ON PARADE"

Alan Carney and Wally Brown

Milam Theatre

Friday and Saturday, December 21 and 22
"MARKED FOR MURDER"

Tex Ritter

Friday and Saturday, December 28 and 29
"BLAZING WESTERN TRAILS"

Charles Starrett

Friday and Saturday, January 4 and 5
"PHANTOM OF THE PLAINS"

Bill Elliott

Sunday, December 23
"TALL IN THE SADDLE"

John Wayne and Ella Raines

Sunday, December 30
"PRINCESS AND THE PIRATE"

Bob Hope

E. S. TYSON DEAD AT HOME IN IOWA

Dan Tyson received information from Omaha, Neb., telling of the death of his brother, E. S. (Seb) Tyson, who died in Iowa.

The deceased was born and reared at Maysfield and at one time was engaged in the grocery business in Cameron with his cousin, A. K. Tyson, now postmaster at Calvert.

His father, Sam W. Tyson operated a general mercantile business at Maysfield until his death in 1886. His mother, Julia Tyson, formerly Julia Beal, died here in 1934.

Survivors are R. B. Tyson of Higgins, Texas; Selwyn Tyson of Council Bluffs, Iowa; Mrs. Eleanor Travis of Omaha, Neb.; Capt. Sam Tyson of Denver, Colo. (who completed 85 combat missions in the Pacific as pilot on a B-29); two sisters, Mrs. W. L. Thompson and Mrs. Vada Lewis of Austin, and one brother, Dan Tyson of Cameron. Burial was in Iowa.

Dwight Lyman Moody, Electrician's Mate third class, has received his honorable discharge at Camp Wallace. Moody entered the service in March of 1944, and has served 13 months in the Asiatic-Pacific aboard the USS Yorktown during which he took part in the invasion of Iwo Jima and Okinawa. His wife and two small children have maintained their home in Cameron since he has been away.

Mrs. H. C. Tindall received a telephone call from her son, Darrell Tindall, Y2c, from San Diego, California on Thursday night. He states he flew from Guam, and expects to spend Christmas at home. Mr. Tindall has been in the Pacific for the past 15 months, with the Naval Air Corps as a photographer.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian R. Harris and son are moving to Waco to make their home where Mr. Harris will be employed with Wm. Cameron & Co. Mrs. Harris and their young son have been making their home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Tindall, until her husband received his discharge from the service.

Calvin Eiland of Gay Hill, in interest of local electric service, visited in Cameron this week.

No Military Police to Be Assigned Here Says Lt. Haddox of Hearne

Assignment of military police to Cameron on week ends due to the large number of service men who come here from nearby camps, will be discontinued, it was announced by Sheriff Carl Black Wednesday.

Sheriff Black said he had been informed that the Hearne camp is to be closed down after January 1, and Lt. Haddox in charge of military police will not make further assignments here.

Local officers will have to take over whatever enforcement measures may be necessary, unless Camp Hood authorities will assign military police to the city.

Mr. Black said the MP's had been most helpful and he is thankful for the cooperation that has been extended in the past. He regrets this development and said local officers will now be called on to do the work assigned to military police in the past.

YOUTH PROGRAM GETS GYMNASIUM USE HERE

The Cameron School Board Thursday night by a unanimous vote placed the facilities of the gymnasium building at the disposal of the Youth Committee in Cameron.

The building will be used for the first time for this program during Christmas week when an entertainment is planned.

Aside from routine business the board relieved the crowded condition of the Briary bus and is putting the athletic bus on a new route in the Vogelsang and Ben Arnold communities. Mr. Campbell will drive this bus.

Mrs. Liluybud B. Garrett of Brownwood was elected to the school faculty here Thursday night to teach second grade. She will supply the vacancy created by the resignation of Mary Hamlett.

Sheriff Carl Black and Attorney Gunn conducted a court of inquiry in Judge Thweatt's Court at Maysfield Wednesday.

Mrs. L. V. Beavers of Milano was a business visitor here Thursday.

San Antonio District Leads in Recruiting

Colonel Jean Edens, commanding officer of the San Antonio U.S. Army Recruiting District which comprises 63 counties, stated today that "The Eighth Service Command is leading other major commands and theatres of operation throughout the world in voluntary enlistments." He added that unofficially he thinks "the San Antonio District is leading the world."

Colonel Edens continued with "Thousands of soldiers from all walks of life are enlisting or reenlisting in the Regular Army these days, and the reasons they give for their decisions are as varied as their individual backgrounds."

"Many soldiers who might have never traveled beyond the borders of their native states except for the Army service, explain that they want to see still more of the world. By signing up as volunteer Guardians of Victory they can choose the the-

atre in which they prefer duty."

"Other soldiers are enlisting or reenlisting because of the security they are assured in the Regular Army. They point out that the pay is good, with clothing, housing, food, medical and dental care provided by the Army. They like the idea of eventual retirement with pay and they are assured of family allowances for the duration of the present emergency and six months thereafter."

"There is another important consideration which many soldiers cite. That is the comradeship that members of the Regular Army know. In addition, the opportunities for learning a trade in the modern, mechanized Regular Army are limitless."

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Taylor Morris and baby, Emma Jane, returned to their station at Fairfield-Suisun AAB, California. They spent their 90-day furlough here and in DeLeon with relatives and friends. Mrs. Morris is the former Anna Marie Gurecky. S-Sgt. Morris is from DeLeon.

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At this happy and tender season of the year when the thoughts of all are of Good Will and Good Cheer, we are thinking of you.

We want each one to know that we wish for them the best the season affords. We feel that at this time Christmas means more than for years past since Peace and Victory has come to us and to the world.

We hope 1946 will be a year when all your plans are realized and your dreams come true.

Cameron Fruit & Grocery Company

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EVER THAT SAME STAR

The Star of Hope first seen by the Wise Men from strange lands beyond the Jordan as it shown with promise and brilliance over the ancient hills of Judea, has ever been the same star.

Whatever the problems of this world that Star shines tonight in the heavens just as it did 1945 years ago, though clouds obscure the view here below.

The Star is Hope in a world that must bind up its wounds and learn from the bitter lessons of the past. The light of the Star shines around the world, lifting the spirits of men wherever they may be, giving them strength and Hope.

We send our greetings to everyone in this community. It may not be possible to see each one personally but we want this to be as warm and as sincere as if we could see you face to face.

Merry Christmas
Fred Lazek's Cafe



Sincere Greetings

It is a privilege to remember the kindness of so many in this vicinity and over the county during the year now coming to a close. In other years and times it has been my pleasure and privilege to know and to be associated with and to have served in business, so many. Their Good Will, their Confidence and patronage, are the things for which I am deeply grateful.

Christmas is a Happy Season. It could never be what it is except for the spirit that is engendered by Friendships, mutual Good Will and Confidence. I want each one of my friends and all the people to know that I wish for them—each one, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

If 1945 brings you every thing that is good it will be a year when all my wishes for you are gratified.

Louis J. Raska



YOE HIGH SCHOOL SECOND SIX WEEKS HONOR ROLL

Seniors

Mildred Glaser, Nadine Glaser, Vivian Carleton, Walter Lawrence, Almarie Brady, Marion Brewer, Patsy Esslinger, Ed Flinn, Olivia Lehman, Mazie Malone, Ruth Reichert, Lynn Skelton, Vira Dell Yarborough, Edith Walton, Eleanor Sue Muse, Richard Johns, Nettie Lue Rosenberg.

Juniors

Marjorie Denson, Joe Hawkins, Margaret Horstman, Ladis Marek,

Jimmy O'Neill, Bernard Polzer, Marjorie Shelandier, Mary Neil McClellan, Billy Jo Harris, Eugene Jekel.

Sophomores

Rita Hanel, Arthur Kaminecky, Beatrice Michalka, Doris Powell, Dick Stedman, Kathleen Eichenhorst, Katherine Sutter, Frank Heitman, Ray Janicek, Billy Haynes, Edna Angell, Dorothy Foster, Robert Johnson, T. J. O'Neill, Martha Black, Barbara Hanel, Bernice Jistel, Joyce Rosenberg, Susan Rosso, Christine Winkler.

Freshmen

Dallie Green, Josephine Matocha, Valasta Muzny, Geneva Wilson, Danna Sue Reichert, Doris Nell Jungman, Paul Swanzey, Jane Flinn, Edward Horstman, Wilfred Polzer, Vera Ruth Turner, Sherwood McClaren, Elba Jean Calburn.

Richard Hester, with the engineering department of the Community Public Service Company, who has been in Fort Worth for several weeks was in Cameron Saturday. His family is still living here but they plan soon to move to Fort Worth.

One of these days we will take a long vacation; it will begin with a slow walk.

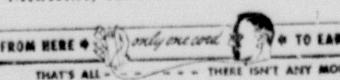
The U. S. may be slow to get into war but it is fast on getting out.

There is every reason to believe that the feminine idea of modesty has changed.



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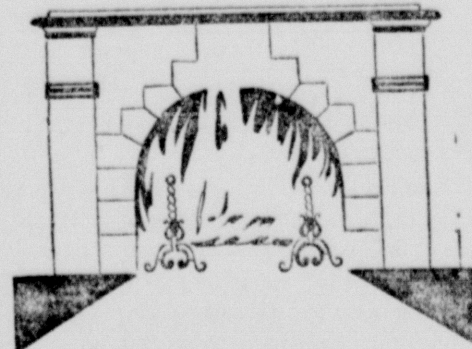
Famous Artist Sketched First Santa for U. S.

Thomas Nast Is Credited With Pictorializing Famous Character In 1873.

Thomas Nast, the famous cartoonist who created our conception of Uncle Sam, the Republican elephant and the Democratic donkey, is also credited with giving America its first modern pictorialization of Santa Claus.

Nast first sketched his notion of Santa Claus in 1873. This Santa was a rollicking, chubby old man smoking a pipe and dressed in what looked like a night shirt with fur collar and cuffs. Since that day he has grown taller and rounder, has developed a full white beard and mustache and above all has acquired the traditional red suit bordered in ermine.

The story of how our American version of Santa Claus evolved is interesting. According to legend,



children of Lapland and Siberia, raised on tales of the good and generous St. Nicholas, thought of their benefactor as dressed in furs and traveling in a reindeer-drawn sleigh, just as they did themselves.

Stories of St. Nicholas.

Wondrous stories of this great Fourth century saint, who gave handsome presents to good little children, were repeated at the firesides of all Europe from the time of his death in 342. The Dutch children observed the anniversary of his death on December 6 and received presents in their wooden shoes.

These Dutch youngsters thought of St. Nicholas as a stern old man with a long white beard, garbed in bishop's robes and carrying a stick to chastise naughty children.

The little Hollanders coming with their parents to found New Amsterdam brought Santa Claus or "San Claas" as they said, with them. In no time the English colonial children whose fathers had taken over the Dutch settlement and renamed it New York caught on to this wonderful man. The English moved his yearly visit from December 6 to New Year's Eve.

Germans coming to America brought their Christmas customs; Christmas trees and Christmas candles burned in honor of the Christ Child, whom the German children called "Kris Kringle."

At about the time that these festivities were making Christmas Day important, families beginning to spread across the country chose this celebration as a day of reunion. Thus the Dutch figure of Santa Claus, the German traditions of Christmas and the English season of celebration became combined in one single holiday.

Christmas Card Is Century Old

The centennial of the Christmas card is being observed this year. It was in 1845—just 100 years ago—that the first Christmas card was designed and distributed.

This pioneer greeting was the creation of W. C. Dobson, a noted British artist, who was said to be a favorite of Queen Victoria. Dobson, according to tradition, made copies of his card and sent them to friends in London and elsewhere in the British Isles.

The custom established by Dobson found numerous devotees. In 1846, an English nobleman, Sir Henry Cole, commissioned an artist, John Calcott Horsley, to design a Christmas card for him.

According to one story, Sir Henry Cole had received such a large number of holiday letters that he could not find time to answer them all. As a means of solving this problem, he called in Horsley and asked him to design an appropriate card.

Horsley's first Christmas card depicted a Victorian English family enjoying the holiday. Except for the profusion of detail, the card is like many of the modern greetings. The traditional "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" was inscribed on the card, with blank spaces for filling in the name of the sender and the recipient.

From this beginning a century ago, the custom of sending Christmas cards has spread across the ocean to the United States where it has become a traditional part of the holiday observance.

December 20, 1945

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It is more than just mere custom with us when we send you Christmas Greetings. Each day in the year we are reminded of your friendship and loyalty to us.

That is why we are especially anxious to say at this time that we wish for each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and to thank you in this way as warmly as if we could see you personally.

Henry Dreyer TIN SHOP



Although I have only recently purchased this business, my friends and customers have made it a pleasure to thank them for their favors in 1945.

We are looking forward to the New Year to serve you better.

In wishing for you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I want you to know that I deeply appreciate your many favors and your Good Will is our most prized possession from the Old Year now drawing to a close.

Ray's Place



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS, dominating the world stage, once more has incredibly rolled aside the clouds of war. There is still beauty in common things, still good in the world, and we are all grateful for the glowing interval of Yuletide.

As for ourselves, we are also grateful for your loyalty to us during 1945, and extend the season's best wishes to all.

JIM NEINAST

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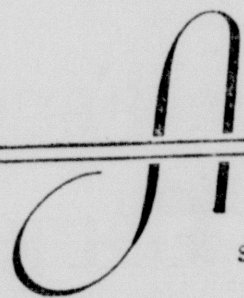
For favors, for friendships and for good will — all major blessings for us during the year, we acknowledge with sincere appreciation and send back our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Now that Peace and Victory have come to our nation our homes anticipate the renewal of ties broken by years of war. Wherever you may be and however you may observe the Holidays you may be assured that our first thoughts are of you and for you.

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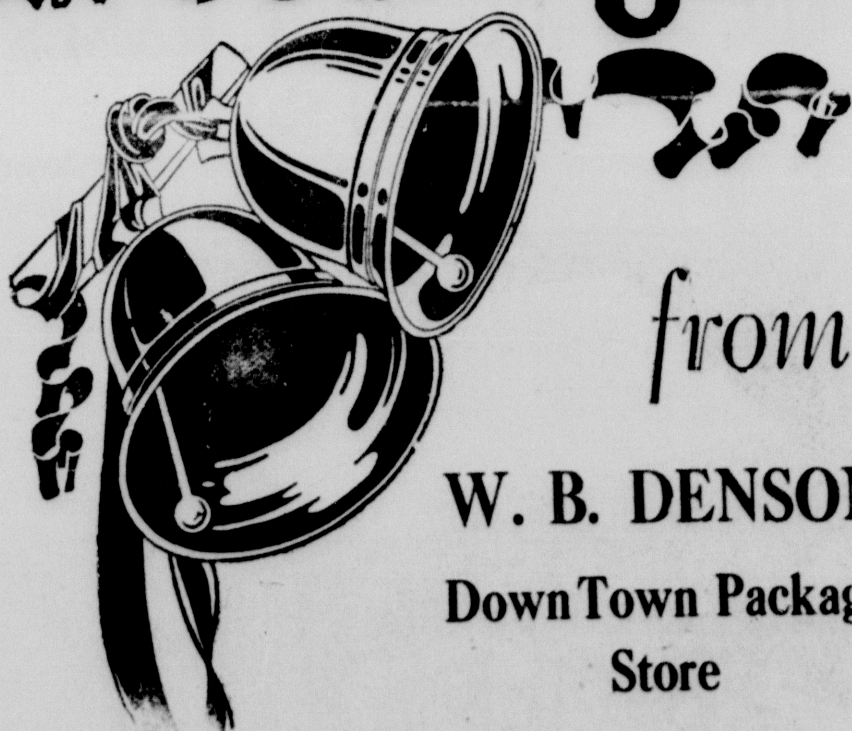
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AS YOU ENJOY THE FESTIVITIES of the Yuletide Season, we want you to regard this little message as a personal acknowledgement of your goodwill and splendid cooperation. Because of these factors you have made it possible for us to enjoy the Holiday Season more thoroughly.

The management and personnel of this institution join together in extending to all of you and yours sincere best wishes for a Christmas of great happiness and a New Year of good health and good times.

Greetings



W. B. DENSON

DownTown Package
Store

LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS

— FROM —

MILAM COUNTY
CHILDREN

Dear Santa:

I would like to have a coat and a bicycle, a set of farm animals, and a car and a trailer. Plenty of fruit and some candy.

Yours truly,

James Edward Hesse.

Oenaville, Texas.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a desk and one chair and a suitcase for my doll and a pair of socks?

Thank you,

Martha Jane.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a train and a little bicycle?

Thank you,

Bruce Lindsey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy in the second grade. Please bring me a ball and marbles and one boat, toy car, and one toy gun, and two toy trucks, and one little blackboard.

Good bye,

Buck Cunningham.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a cap pistol and a bicycle?

Thank you,

Paul Freeman.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old and I have been very good at home and in school I think, so for Christmas will you please bring me a telephone, a stopper gun, a Lone Ranger holster set, a doctor's kit, football and a pencil set and Santa please don't forget my little brother, he is six months old so bring him lots of small things that he can play with. And don't forget mother and daddy.

Love to Santa,

Harold Gene Pimpler.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a doll and some dishes?

Thank you,

Bobby Weathers.

Santa Claus,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a truck with three cars on it. I also want some blocks and some candy and fruit.

Your friend,

Walter Robert Hesse.

Oenaville, Texas.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a doll and a purse?

Thank you,

Shirley Warren.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the second grade. For Christmas I want a baby doll, toy piano, a suitcase, some little doll clothes, a ring, and a table and chairs. I think that is enough. And some doll dishes. Love to you.

Yours truly,

Velma Mae Bullock.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy in the first grade. I am writing you early because I know you are going to be awful busy this year. I am more interested in poor boys and girls than myself. Please remember them, and you may if you have room in your sleigh, bring me a dragline, a farm set with all the animals, also a wooden train, and a nice tractor. Try to bring my two little sisters something, and I think that will do for me.

Your friend,

David Hayes.

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good little girl. Please bring me some toys, a ring, black board, fruits and nuts. Don't forget my little sister, Henrietta.

Yours truly,

Mary Ellen Richter.

Dear Santa Claus:

I'm a little boy seven years old. Please bring me a pair of gloves, a train and a football, and don't forget my little sister.

Your friend,

Milton Lee Robertson.

Phone your news items to 282.

Dear Santa Claus:

I'm not asking for much this Christmas 'cause my daddy is home now. I am almost three years old so you can decide what is best for me. Please, don't forget plenty of candy, nuts and fruit. I will have a tree by the window so you can find my house.

Love,

Henry Odell Tomasek.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a doll and a pair of gloves?

Thank you,

Joy Warren.

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a doll and a doll buggy.

Thank you,

Joyce Cosby.

Santa Claus,

North Pole,

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to please bring me a wagon and a tractor with a trailer. I also want some gloves and suspenders, and a car like Honey has got. Also a truck and a jeep. Don't forget some candy and nuts.

Sincerely,

Edward (Buddy) Hesse.

Oenaville, Texas.

Santa Claus,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl seven years old. I would like to have a doll and a doll buggy for Christmas. I would also like to have a locket with chain and also a sewing set. Some candy and nuts.

Sincerely your friend,

Barbara Ann Hesse.

Oenaville, Texas.

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60 Curlers, 60 end tissues,
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The year 1945 saw the beginning of my business, although I had served for years in my profession among you.

For your generous patronage and encouragement which enabled me to grow and to plan for better days of service ahead, I send my sincere thanks. This Christmas will be more happy for millions because the war has ended and home ties are being restored again.

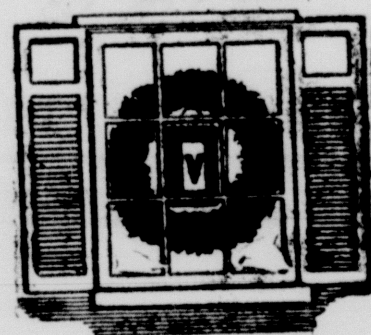
When you are observing the Holidays I want you to know that my best wishes will be with you and I covet for each one a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Otis McDonald

PLUMBING

PHONE 452

There'll always be
a Christmas

To the Students, Faculty
and Patrons of Cameron
Public Schools

As you come once more to a Peacetime Christmas, may we take this method of expressing our appreciation to you for the mighty fine manner in which you accepted us in your midst.

To those of you whose loved ones have already returned or who will soon return, we rejoice with you and pray with you that they will never again have to go away to War.

To those of you whose loved ones will not return because they paid the supreme sacrifice, we shall forever be humbly grateful. As you look at the empty chair this Christmas time, please be assured that we join with other mil-

lions of grateful Americans in humble gratitude for the terrible sacrifice you have made in order that we might again enjoy the blessings of a peaceful Christmas season.

May God give us the strength, the courage, the determination, and the wisdom to so conduct ourselves and the affairs of our community, our state, and our Nation in such manner that WARS SHALL BE NO MORE is our sincere prayer at this time.

MR. and MRS. W. T. HANES
and BILLYMAY THE LIGHTS
ON YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE
BURN BRIGHTLY

And sparkle with the joy and happiness that we wish for you and yours at this glad time of the year.

It has been a pleasure to serve you in the past and we are at your service in the future. Please call on us at any time as we deem it a distinct privilege to serve in whatever manner we can. We cordially invite your continued patronage.

Merry Christmas

AND A VERY

Happy New Year

The Toddle Inn

The New Sandwich Shop

Dolls For Christmas Is Historic Custom

Dolls of long ago are treasured memories in the history of this country. The affection George Washington had for his little step-granddaughter, Nellie Custis, is revealed in the story of how she followed him about Mount Vernon with the picture books he had brought her from Philadelphia and her fashionably dressed dolls, as carefully correct in every sartorial detail of that era as the little girl of today demands of the dolls of this period.

The custom of dolls dressed in fashionable attire was one which was brought not only from England but from France and Spain in the early days of this country. For hundreds of years these "babies" had been used in European countries for hairdresser's exhibitions of coifs and to display the designs of costumes. Soon these fashion dolls became the playthings of little girls. Santa Claus was delighted at their pleasure in them and put one for each little girl down on his list. The dolls that were dressed in the fashions of the ladies of the day wore fashion-

able little girl dresses and fashionable baby clothes just as the dolls of today. It was not until the middle of the eighteenth century that the "little ladies" and "babies" were called dolls. The word is supposed to be taken from the Danish name for the maid servant, "dau."

Paper dolls, that have always delighted American children in great numbers, were originated as fashion plates with which the little girls of the household played. Many ingenious varieties of paper dolls are again offered this year, from those complete in themselves, those to be cut out and those to be made by the little girls and painted from designs and sheets of papers, paints and crayons included in a paper doll set.

The newest doll that will be displayed on toy counters this year is one which can drink from its bottle lying down.

Many Christmases

Christmas is located in Florida, Kentucky, Maine and Arizona. All are small towns. But on December 25 it is Christmas everywhere.

Radar Detects Birds;

Sets Off Raid Warning

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. — A 61-minute air raid alert here on June 27, 1943, it now may be disclosed, was occasioned by "the approach of unidentified targets," possibly "a whole flock of pelicans" whose flight was picked up off the Golden Gate by radar.

The army's announcement of the all-clear said the targets disappeared.

Under military censorship a satisfactory explanation could not be made. Now it can be reported that radar can detect a single pelican at sea, and that in the June, 1943, incident there appeared to be "a whole flock of them."

The army revealed that radar protected the Pacific coast by a network from border to border.

Only One U-Boat Passed

Lightship, Navy Says

NEW YORK.—The navy, in disclosing that New York harbor's submarine net had been removed, said that only on one occasion during the war did an enemy U-boat pass Ambrose lightship. In March, 1943, a mine laying sub sailed within a mile of the net and dropped four mines. The U-boat escaped. One of the mines damaged a tanker, the others were picked up before they could explode.

We wish for you Good Health and Prosperity in the New Year.

Boxes Scarce, So Wrap Yule Bundles Carefully

With paper, boxes and twine scarce, Christmas packages will have to be bundled with even more care than formerly.

Even in normal times, thousands of carelessly wrapped packages find their way through the mails, or have to be rebundled in the post offices. Where expensive or delicate articles are sloppily bound, enough damage may be caused to seriously damage the gifts.

In postal procedure in the larger cities, the mailed package is put in a sack. The sack is put on a belt, which carries it to a platform, where it is loaded on a truck. The truck carries it to the railroad station, where it is dropped by chute to a platform. It leaves the platform and is carried to its destination.

In this volume of handling, carelessly wrapped packages easily can be banged about and damaged.

Christmas in Spring

Quartodecimans, a small sect of early Christians, observed Christmas on the 25th of March, just after the vernal equinox. Their assumption of the date of Christ's birth was based on Pilate's words and acts. Threatened with excommunication, they finally gave in at the Council of Nice.



Sincere Greetings

We have much to prompt us to say at this time how deeply grateful we are that we have shared so generously in your patronage and good will during 1945.

We know that many will feel genuinely the Happiness which comes with knowing we shall not have to face the New Year with our country at war. Peace has come and with it the privilege to plan and to face the future.

We send our greetings and wish for each one a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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In Keeping With The True Spirit of Christmas

Wishing You a Christmas Bright with Holly Leaves and Candlelight
With Friendliness and Cheer, and Joys that last throughout the Year.

This gracious mantelpiece is Christmas itself expressing in every line the Christmas spirit. The prancing Reindeer ... frosty-white sleigh ... tall gleaming tapers ... red Carnations ... and festive foliage all combine to say "Christmas is here ... Joyous Day!"

Flowers at Christmas will warm the heart ... make the home friendly and gay. Place your order early for floral decorations and gifts.

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The
Florist



"Say it with Flowers"



Sincere Greetings

We want to share with you and yours the Happiness all must experience this Christmas 1945 that the war is over and Peace has again returned to the world.

May Christmas this year find you in joyous association again with those who have returned from the far places of earth where duty called them in this war for Freedom and Liberation.

May 1946 bring you more health, more prosperity, more joy of living.

We want you to know of our gratitude for the generous share of your patronage accorded GULF in 1945.

GULF
REFINING CO.

E. H. Coffield, Consignee

December 20, 1945

LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS

— FROM —

MILAM COUNTY
CHILDREN

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a little doll, a doll bed, a soft pillow, a big tricycle, a broom and some fruit, candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Minnie Erle Whittington.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a doll? I want a set of red dishes. I want some candy, some fruit and some nuts and I would like a ring.

Your friend,
Bobbie Sue Price.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a few things for Christmas. I want some play dishes, a doll, a long dress, a bicycle, some clothes, candy and oranges.

Your friend,
Mary Helen Braden.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a ring with a pretty set. I want a pink or white set. I want an evening gown, a gold one if you have it. Bring my cousin a toy gun that pops, a tin gun and bring me a cowgirl suit, fruit, candy and nuts.

Love,
Lillie Ann Jekel.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a bracelet with a heart on it. Thank you.

Your friend,
Reta Jewel Simmons.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll and bring my brother a gun and ball. I would like some fruit, candy and some nuts.

Your friend,
Faye Hollaway.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll, a set of dishes, a ring, some fruit, candy, and nuts.

Your friend,
Billy Price.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me one pair of pajamas and two pairs of slacks, one doll dress, a pair of house shoes and some candy, some nut and two big oranges.

Your friend,
Billie Nell Johnson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a pretty doll, a tricycle and some story books, a toy train, a set of dishes and a bracelet.

Your friend,
Barbara McDonald.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a tricycle, a cowgirl suit and a pair of house shoes. My brother want a cowboy suit, some house shoes and a six-shooter. Bring my mother some dresses, some candy, nuts, and all kinds of fruit. Bring my daddy some ties.

With love,
Annette Manning.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a bicycle, and some story books, some clothes and fruit, candy, nuts and two big red apples.

Your friend,
Helen Hollaway.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please Santa, I want a doll and a pair of house shoes.

Don't forget my fruit, candy and nuts.

With love,
Nadine Conner.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a football, a six-shooter and a bicycle. Please bring me some fruit, some candy, some nuts, some BB shots, a gun and a cowboy suit.

With love,
Elton Coward.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a bicycle most of all. I want a chain guard, a luggage carrier, and a light on it. Also I am hoping for a metal gun.

With love,
David McLain.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me some doll clothes for all my dolls, a locket, a bracelet, and some story books. I want some fruit, candy and nuts. My mother wants a watch.

Your friend,
Nita Nabours.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a football and a bicycle. some fruit and candy.

Your friend,
Billy Adams.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a box of candy, a dress and a doll. Please bring me a croquet set, too.

Your friend,
Yvonne Gill.

Dear Santa Claus:

For Christmas I want a gun, a book shelf, a watch, and a story book.

Your friend,
Billy Scott.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a bicycle, a wagon, or a car for Christmas.

Your friend,
Earl Armstrong.

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A Salute

to our friends and a big, hearty Christmas wish to you all, this merry, merry Christmas season.

Looking back over the year calls to mind our greatest source of pleasure has been our contact with folks like you.

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HILLTOP
CAFE

MERRIEST Christmas OF ALL 1945.

And now comes another Christmas to be added to your store of memories. We hope this Christmas of 1945 will be a very enjoyable one—a truly happy one—fulfilling all the fine traditions of Christmas.

Accept our hearty thanks for the pleasant business associations of the past year. Once again we say

Merry Christmas!

Hefley-Stedman Motor
Company



Cameron
Texas



HAPPY
NEW
YEAR

Our Wish
for You

EVERYONE

is included in our wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year—wishes which are drawn from the deep, pure wells of hope.

You have helped make the past year a most pleasant one for us. Mindful of this, we have but one thought as we enter 1946... to be fully worthy of the confidence you have reposed in us.

FOSTER
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LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS
— FROM —
MILAM COUNTY
CHILDREN

Dear Santa Claus:

I had a very merry Christmas last year, and I am sure I will this year.

Please send me a birthstone ring, a Chinese checkers, and some story books. I don't want to ask for too much, so that will be all.

With love,

Gloria Jean Jackson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing you a few words. I would like to have a Scout knife for my Christmas present, and a bag of candy.

Your friend,

Brook Fikes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing for a football and a few fire works.

Your friend,

Alton Weems.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a big doll, and a set of dishes.

Your friend,

Dalie Ann Zalesky.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a set of picture puzzles and a model airplane.

Your friend,

Kenneth Cryer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a doctor set, and a bicycle.

Your friend,

Shirley Beth Wilson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I like Christmas very much and I would like to have a .22 and a finger print set, too. Will you please bring me a new bicycle and a horse and some apples, candy and oranges, too?

Your friend,

W. K. Leonard, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a Honey Bear and tableware. I am ten years old. I am in the fourth grade. I want some fruit and candy, please.

Your friend,

Minnie Tamez.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a shot gun, a ball, and a bat. I like Christmas because it is lots of fun.

Your friend,

Ruben Cass.

Dear Santa Claus:

Thank you very much for the things you brought me last year. I would like very much to have an identification bracelet, some books, and a paint set. Please bring me some fruit and nuts.

Your friend,

Dick Jenness.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have xylophone, nuts, fruit, and candy for Christmas. I like Christmas very much, and I also like all holidays.

Your friend,

Louise Reveile.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a bingo set, and a pair of skates, a ball, a doll, and a story book.

Your friend,

Verna Fay Sommer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll house and I would like to have a doll with black hair. If I could get a doll buggy, I would like to have one very much.

Love,

Sharon Jean Cammer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like you to bring me a doctor set and a doll. Please bring me some apples, candy and nuts.

Your friend,

Geneva Coates.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a very big doll and a bow and some arrows. I want a little piano. I want a girls' bicycle, too. Please give me a set of dishes, a table and four chairs. I want a little rubber ball.

Your friend,

Shirley Mullinax.

December 20, 1945

THE CAMERON HERALD—3



'Let not one heart be sad today,
May every child be glad and gay,
God bless thy children, great and small,
In lowly hut or castle hall,
And may each soul keep festival
At Christmastime.'

We wish all of our
friends a
MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS

**Burkes-Howard
Company**



To Our Policyholders and Friends

Time flies swiftly and many things change.

The enduring Philosophy of Good Will, Friendships and Loyalty are secure to us all because they do not pass away.

Each year at this time we welcome the opportunity to send greetings, Best Wishes and Good Will to our thousands of Policyholders in Milam County and surrounding territory.

The Year 1945 brought into our great family of Policyholders an increased number who now know the protection that this Company can give. To these new Policyholders we send our first Christmas Greeting and at the same time we re-

member with abiding gratitude the older members of our Great Family for their loyalty through the years.

The record we have made in immediate payment of all just claims is a source of pride to us and we know that beneficiaries are impressed with Temple Life Insurance Company.

Temple Life Insurance Company gives protection at rates you can afford to pay, thus bringing good life insurance to thousands who otherwise would not be protected.

May you be Happy at Christmas Time and in the New Year find Peace and Plenty is the sincere wish of

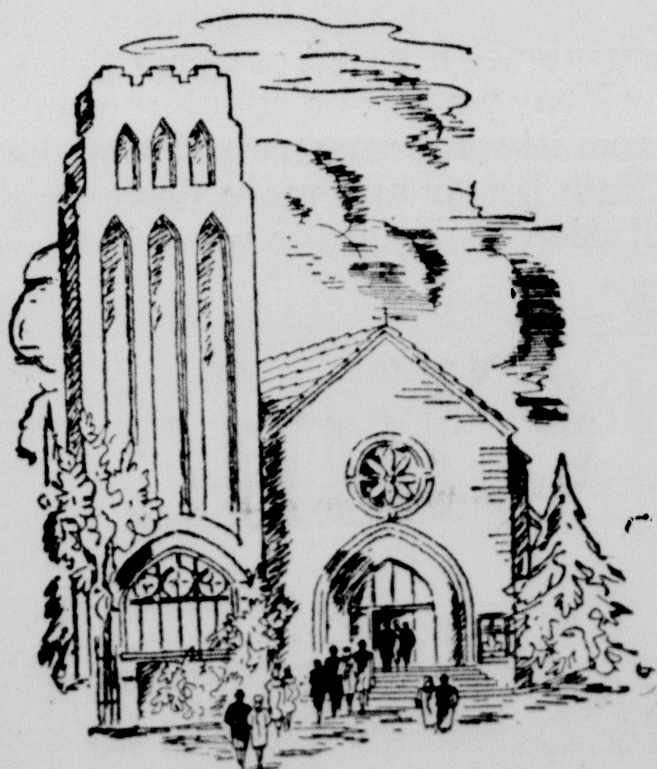
FROM EACH OF US
TO ALL OF YOU



*Best
wishes for
Christmas*

There's no place like home when Christmas comes around, and there's no time like right now to wish all you kindly home folks the merriest Christmas ever.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to have served you in 1945, and we look forward to your continued friendship.



**Temple Life
Insurance Company**

Temple, Texas

OVER \$9,000,000.00 INSURANCE IN FORCE

VERNON ROBERTS, President

WALTER B. SMITH, Secretary

**EPLEN
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'Rain of Fire' Just Spanish Girl's Prank

MADRID.—The chief governor of Almeria province said a 15-year-old girl had confessed spreading petroleum on the ground near the isolated mountain village of Laroya, resulting in the mysterious "rain of fire" which caused three separate government expeditions to be sent to the area recently.

Bootleggers Take Trip Into Texas

Fantastic Experiences Are Their Portion.

AUSTIN, TEXAS.—The legendary loss of a kingdom for want of a nail for a horse's shoe was not much more fantastic than the consequences of two Mexican bootleggers' lighthearted trip into Texas with three ponies loaded with liquor and an unsuspected supercargo.

Here's what resulted from the two peons' trip across the Mexican border the night of April 23:

A total of 765,810 acres in four Texas counties are under rigid quarantine. Nearly 25,000 head of livestock must be completely dipped in an antiseptic solution every two weeks for a period of five to nine months. None of the livestock—including thousands of head of beef cattle—can be moved or sold during the quarantine. Ranchmen, the four counties, and the state have been put to a cost restrainedly described as "extremely high and most regrettable."

Among authorities concerned with the incident are the United States marshal, federal immigration officers, inspectors of the bureau of animal husbandry, the state sanitary livestock commission, and brand inspectors of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' association.

All this trouble stemmed, not from the bootleg liquor, but from the little stowaways on the ponies—the dread fever ticks which spread disease and are a menace to the health of livestock where they are found.

The three infested ponies dropped mature ticks wherever they went during their 10-day jaunt through the counties of Webb, Zapata, Duval, and Jim Hogg, thus exposing to infection all the livestock in that area.

The Mexicans were captured en route home by immigration men. Discovering that the ponies were infested with ticks, the immigration

inspectors called in federal and state livestock sanitary officials. The Mexicans then led the officers over the route they had followed on their "little business trip" into Texas.

Under the policy of the Texas livestock sanitary commission a tick quarantine is imposed not only on all pastures traversed by tick-infected animals but on all adjacent pasture lands.

Tar Travels Half Around Globe to Save Brother

HARTFORD, CONN.—A sailor who traveled nearly half-way around the world won commutation of a death sentence to life imprisonment for a brother he said he hadn't "seen in years."

In an unprecedented second hearing before the state board of pardons, Seaman 1/c Roger Peterson, 19, made an eloquent plea for the life of Royal S. Peterson, 21, who was to have died for the first degree murder of Matthew Wior, Manchester jeweler.

A previous plea by Royal Peterson for commutation was denied by the board, chairman of which is Gov. Raymond E. Baldwin, himself a naval lieutenant in the First World War.

His Barn Disappears One Piece at a Time

HOUSTON, TEXAS.—Walter C. Clifton complained to authorities, "Parties are stealing my sheet metal barn by tearing it down piece by piece. It's smaller every morning."

Deputies discovered a relative of Clifton's had sold the barn and the new owner was taking it away in chunks and reconstructing it on his own property. Clifton was managing the property where the barn stood and didn't know it had been sold.

Parent's Had Forgotten Something—'Twas Baby!

LATROBE, PA.—Mrs. Joseph McLaughlin had just said good-bye to her son-in-law and daughter, Lt. and Mrs. George Blinbury, at the station. As the train was ready to pull out, they discovered they had forgotten something. Mrs. McLaughlin was still holding their nine-month-old baby. A conductor came to the rescue and got the child just in time.

Merry Christmas to you, and we do mean you.

We wish for you Good Health and Prosperity in the New Year.

Italian Close to Atom Secret in '35

Glad He Failed as Germans Would Have Got It.

SPOKANE, WASH.—Dr. Enrico Fermi, an Italian scientist who participated in developing the atomic bomb in the United States, almost discovered its secret 10 years ago which probably would have made it available to the Nazis. This was disclosed recently by Col. Franklin T. Matthias, director of the Richland, Wash., atomic bomb plant.

"Dr. Fermi was so close to discovering the secret of plutonium back in 1935," Colonel Matthias related, "that he probably would have published his knowledge to the world had it not been for a little plutonium in his test tubes which nullified the action he was looking for."

"He told me that he was very glad his experiments then had failed, for there is no doubt the Nazis would have loosed the terror of the atomic bomb on the world if

the fascists in Italy had possessed the knowledge and passed it on to them."

"Germany had all the basic knowledge long before we started, but lacked the facilities and know-how for putting the facts together. In the United States, 2,000 top flight scientists worked anonymously to bring scattered bits of knowledge into effective military use."

Plutonium produced at Richland was put into bombs which were assembled in New Mexico just before they were sent overseas, Colonel Matthias explained.

He said the United States had more atomic bombs ready to drop on Japan when the war ended and that production of the new super-weapon has continued since Japan surrendered.

Tiny Indian Ocean Atoll Fuels East-Bound Ships

LONDON.—A secret naval base on a tiny Indian ocean atoll, the admiralty discloses, guarded Britain's lifeline to India since a few weeks after Japan's entry into the war.

Construction on the Addu island anchorage, south of India and 500 miles west of Ceylon, was quietly

tember, 1941, and the first convoy put into port four months later.

Since then, British troopships and naval vessels have used Addu regularly for refueling. The Queen Mary, shuttling Australian soldiers home from the Middle East, made one stop.

In 1941, during the first three months the marines were carving away the jungles, almost a fourth of them suffered tropical diseases and had to be evacuated. Climatic conditions brought growth of micro-organisms that ate the skin away from the flesh.

Workers waded thigh deep in black, foul-smelling mud, fighting off giant land crabs, to build a four-mile runway across one swamp.

Plans Are Being Speeded To Get DDT to the Public

NEW YORK.—War's end quickened the chemical industry's plans for mass distribution of DDT, the world's most effective insect killer, but medical experts warned that it must be used cautiously.

Dr. Paul A. Neal, senior surgeon of the Industrial Hygiene laboratory, National Institute of Health, found that careless handling of DDT

residues—that part of a DDT spray which remains when the liquid-carrying agent has evaporated—may cause toxic effects in humans.

DDT is a tasteless white powder. When it is dissolved in liquids to make a spray it assumes a commercial name of the manufacturer's choice.

Neal pointed out that DDT should be "used under conditions which exclude the heavy contamination of food." This means caution in spraying the new insecticide liberally in kitchens or other food-storage places in the home, he said.

Tyrol Village Folk Have Odd Yule Rotes

Vienna.—Simple-minded, devout folk of the Tyrol have grotesque Christmas customs. At Innsbruck, for instance, they celebrate the Lord's birthday by wearing masks of animals. In another section the Christmas tree is carved out of wood and elaborately decorated. A third extraordinary custom is the wearing of towering headpieces which are brought out only on the December holiday.



Greetings of The Season

Peace, the Hope of Men through the years of great sacrifice, has now come at last to Earth. With the silencing of the guns the world faces resolutely the problems of Peace. None may escape their responsibility and upon us, each one, falls the burden to carry on to ultimate Victory the Ideals for which they fought and for which so many gave their lives.

At Christmas time our thoughts are of those who know the fullness of Happiness and those who have been saddened by the experiences of great loss. May each one find true Happiness and in the New Year

a generous share of Good Health and Prosperity.

Earth's greatest mission is Service to Human Kind. The lesson of Christmas is Service, Good Will and Friendship.

Friends and Neighbors at Christmas Time claim our thoughts. May the candles gleam brightly for you and about you and yours abound good cheer.

Your confidence is a Gift of Great Price. In the New Year we will be striving to improve our facilities for serving and to make Newton Clinic better and more deserving as an institution of service to mankind.

The Newton Clinic

TO THE PEOPLE OF Commissioner Precinct 1

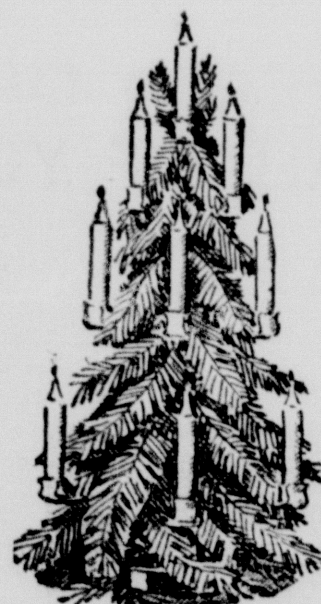
As we look back over the year now closing we know that we have much for which to be thankful; that we shall not have to continue the struggle in which our brave armed forces secured Freedom in the world.

The sacrifices of the war were heavy but they were made to continue our way of life. The struggle for Liberty is old and Free Men have ever been willing to sacrifice to secure it.

For your Confidence so generously expressed I am grateful. For your co-operation I extend my thanks and may Christmas find you happy and in the New Year may you enjoy the best of Health and Prosperity.

W. E. KUZEL

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 1, MILAM COUNTY



Solid Study Back Of FBI Efficiency

Training Course Is Equal to Two Years of College.

WASHINGTON.—To catch a criminal you have to know more than he does. This simple axiom is the keynote of the world's most intensive law enforcement training course — that of the G-men. Their initial 16 weeks of schooling are the equivalent of two years of college.

At present the FBI has some 4,200 special agents. Their jurisdiction includes over 100 different types of criminal violations, and they have to be prepared for any eventuality. Special agent applicants must be 25 to 40 years of age, in perfect physical condition, and college graduates with training in law or accounting. Also they must be United States citizens of unquestioned loyalty whose backgrounds and reputations are without blemish. Each applicant is carefully investigated.

Their training is carried on at the FBI headquarters in Washington

at the FBI academy — the West Point of law enforcement — at Quantico, Va. The FBI's firearms ranges are near the academy, and there the special agents practice with the revolver, rifle, sub-machine gun, shotgun and other weapons. The wooded area immediately adjacent to the range is used for outdoor crime scene practice searches.

From the very day he reports for training, the special agent earns a base salary of \$3,640 per year. Upon completion of his schooling, he is assigned to one of the FBI's 57 field offices. Even then his training is not ended and he must keep abreast of new FBI procedures and pass periodical examinations. Every 18 months he is recalled to Washington for a two-week refresher course.

It long has been one of the cardinal rules of the FBI that all appointments and promotions should be based on proven ability and efficiency. When one considers the functions of the FBI it is clearly evident there could be no other policy.

Due to modern transportation one can leave America as late as the middle of December and be in Bethlehem in Palestine for Christmas, 6,000 miles away.

Christmas in Mexico Colorful Festivity

Travelers who visit Mexico City between now and January 6 will find this period filled with an almost continuous round of festivities.

This end of the year fiesta period is easily the gayest of the Mexican calendar. It begins with Guadalupe day, dedicated to Mexico's patron saint. Then come the nine days, called Las Posadas, prior to Christmas, Christmas Day itself, New Years and finally January 6, which is the time when children receive gifts.

During this period Mexico City always a fascinating place, receives additional color from the Indians who come to town by the thousands and do homage to Our Lady of Guadalupe. These descendants of the Aztecs display their basketry, fine Alameda, one of the capital's principal silver, tin and leather work, and native pottery, on stands around the parks.

As a nine-day prelude to Christmas, the "Las Posadas" symbolizes the search of the Virgin Mary and

Joseph for shelter before the birth of Christ. Family groups, young people, and even social clubs, set out with lighted candles to seek a lodging "for the Christ child." They are turned away from all except the ninth household, where they are admitted by prearrangement. Then dancing, dining, and merriment become general.

WHEN PERE NOEL COMES TO FRANCE

A French Christmas is a children's Christmas. The French Santa, "Pere Noel," comes on Christmas eve with gifts to pack into empty shoes. In southern France the burning of the Yule log is a ceremony when wine is poured over it as it blazes in the hearth.

Wandering Souls Entertained

It is still customary in Ireland to burn candles in the windows and set cups and saucers on the tables for the entertainment of wandering souls from Purgatory, who are believed to enjoy coming home for Christmas.

Every Year Has 53 Days of One it Begins On, Gregorian Shows

According to the Gregorian calendar, every year has 53 days of the one it begins on. Generally speaking, five or six years. This occurred in 1928, 1933, 1939 and again in 1944, 1950, 1956, 1962, 1967, etc. The United States naval observatory points out that in any continuous series of 28 years, five have 53 Sundays, unless the era include a year whose

number ends in two ciphers without it being a leap year, as 1700, 1800, 1900. When leap year begins on Saturday, two of the six-year periods fall consecutively.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

CAROLS ON FIELDS OF BETHLEHEM

On the hillsides of Bethlehem, "where shepherds watched their flocks by night" on Christmas eve and Christmas morning, tourists from many lands gather annually to sing carols and remember the life and words of Jesus of Nazareth.



Sincere Greetings

A radiant, happy Christmas is possible now that we have come to the end of War's sacrifices.

My sincere good wishes are for you and yours, that you may have in full measure the happiness I know you so well deserve.

I am grateful to the people of Cameron for their continued confidence and for the privilege of serving them. May every good thing be yours and in the New Year good health and prosperity.

W. H. Stafford
City Assessor and Collector
of Taxes



Sincere Greetings

Faith in ourselves, our country and our cause, have triumphed and we can again enjoy the full happiness of an Old Fashioned Christmas.

It is a time when all may feel the joy of living and be happy in the thought we may plan and go forward with our way of life.

That we are grateful to you, our friends, for your patronage does not adequately express our feelings. May the New Year increase your happiness many times and Good Health be your portion and a generous share of the Prosperity you so well deserve is our wish.

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TOM WARDLAW

CHRISTMAS

Greetings of the Season

Greetings this year will have a new note of happiness. The shadow of war which in December 1941 fell across the American home has now been lifted. The roar of battle is silenced and those dear to us are coming home.

The Year 1945 will be memorable for it brought Peace again to Earth, so that men everywhere may know the true spirit of Christmas. We send our greetings this year in the same vein of faithful, loyal appreciation for friends who thru the years have never forgotten to be generous with us.

Memories revive at Christmas time and we think of the friends thru the years who have come the long way with us. They are always enshrined in our hearts. To the new friends there is no less appreciation.

Now that we may look ahead to a brave, new world in 1946, we are resolved as we know you are, to share and to sacrifice for our community and we know we shall have understanding, Friendship and Good Will.



A Wish, Sincere

There is no Friend like an old Friend, and who, more than we, could have better reason to say we are thankful? The years that have come and gone have written a story of loyalty and mutual Good Will.

The year 1945 brought an end to the War and those who fought to win it are now coming back to hearth and home. We hope it is Happy with you and with genuine appreciation for the favors you have shown us in 1945 we look with confidence to the New Year with plans to serve you better.

A Very Merry Christmas to all.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS — FROM — MILAM COUNTY CHILDREN

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy. I am nine years old. I would like two things for Christmas. I would like a bicycle and a BB gun, if you could get them for me.

Sincerely yours,
John Carroll Marshall.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a football, cowboy boots, some fruit and nuts. Please send some nice things to all other good children.

Your little friend,
Billy Ray Barrett.

Dear Santa Claus:

You have been so good to me every year. Please don't forget me this year. I am a big girl but I would like one more doll. Please bring me one little surprise. John and I will hang up our stocking in Eden, Texas at our aunts. Be sure and find us there.

Love,
Jane Henderson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I was very happy with what you brought me last year. I want a doll set, a bicycle, some fruit, nuts, and candy.

Your friend,
Margaret Anne Collins.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a student of Ada Henderson school. I am nine years old. And in the fourth grade.

I would like to have a doll, a desk, a ring and nice things to eat. Santa, please remember the children in the foreign countries. Be good to them, too.

Love,
LeVerne Dodson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am expecting you to come to see me this Christmas, and I hope you will leave me a shiny new bicycle. Why don't you bring Mrs. Santa along with you this year? I would like to meet her. I'll have a lunch ready for you both.

Lots of love,
G. Childres.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like some cowboy boots for Christmas and a tame horse that I can ride every day. I hope you can bring them, but I wouldn't mind if you couldn't bring them.

Your friend,
Erin Kruse.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the fourth grade and am nine years old. I would like to have a horse, a saddle, and a bridle. Please bring my sister a doll, and bring us fruits and nuts.

With love,
Gray Cox.



Measured by the span of years, it has been a long, long time since that first Christmas night, but it might have been but yesterday when we measure the spirit of kindness which Christmastime releases.

Christmas means happiness, and Christmas happiness is to be shared. We want to share our 1945 Christmas happiness with you.

DAN TYSON
CITY SECRETARY
AND TREASURER

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a put, put car for Christmas and a sock full of candy.

Your friend,
Richard Farr.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle, a little car, a story book, an airplane, and four bags of candy.

Your friend,
Agapito.

Dear Santa Claus:

I thought that I would write you. I want a knife and a chain, a bag of candy, and some nuts.

Your friend,
Bill Pounds.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like for you to bring me a Ouija Board, a doll dressed in a snow suit, and a doll house made of fiberboard and completely furnished.

Your friend,
Nancy Jane Lawrence.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl nine years old. I would like to have a ring, a wrist watch, and a pony that I can ride. Also some candy and fruit would be nice. I will be glad when Christmas comes, for I enjoy the holiday very much.

Your friend,
Barbara Jean Aignes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a pair of skates, and a monopoly set. I also would like some nuts, fruit, and candy.

Your friend,
Roger Lee Shuemate.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a football and a bicycle for Christmas. I have been a good boy. So don't forget me at Christmas.

Your little friend,
Victor Rubac.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want some mystery books, some ball bearing skates, and a radio. I want you to bring me lots of candy, fruit, and nuts. I want some stick candy, and ribbon candy.

Your friend,
Martha Ann Collins.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a gun that clicks when I pull the trigger. Also I would like to have a tan cap, some apples, oranges, bananas, and nuts.

Your friend,
Jimmy Eicholz.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me an electric train, a pack in a box, a stocking full of candy, a cowboy set, an Indian set, a long and strong rope, a Santa Claus set, a desk, and a new fountain pen.

Your friend,
Billy Newton.

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Our wish for 1946:

... that our hopes for you of today will be realized tomorrow and on all the succeeding tomorrows of the year that lies ahead.

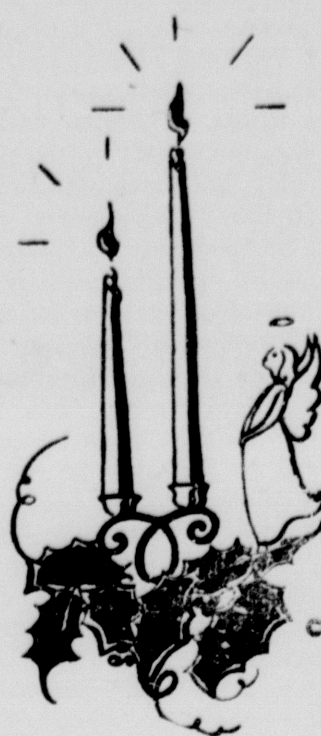


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HOTEL**

**Christmas
Greetings**



The thought of Friends and Favors in 1945 and patronage so generously bestowed is our most cherished memory of the Year.

We reflect with pride the record of service and we hope that 1946 gives us an opportunity to serve you again.

Christmas Time is a time when all hearts are happy in the realization of the significance of the occasion. We send you our Good Will and when you observe the sacred season our best thoughts for happiness will be with you and yours.

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The Pleasure is Ours

As another Yuletide Season is ushered in, we enjoy looking backward over our experiences of the past year. We recall many, many instances of your confidence and good will, and we find these thoughts make us extremely proud and happy.

It is in appreciation of these kindnesses that we take advantage of the Christmas Season, to tell you we have not forgotten. Your confidence in us will be our incentive to greater efforts, that we may continue to come up to your expectations.

Best wishes to you, your family, your friends — our friends.

Ford Dairy

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CAMERON, TEXAS

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

— FROM —
MILAM COUNTY
CHILDREN

Dear Santa Claus:

Please give me a bicycle, a foot-
ball and a baseball and bat.

Your friend,

Edward Brady.

Dear Santa Claus:

I hope I have some firecrackers
for Christmas. I want whatever you
will give me. I would like a BB gun
for Christmas.

Your friend,

Bobby Gandy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want fruit, candy, a toy truck
and a train. I want two guns, two
airplanes, a ball and football.

Your friend,

R. L. Wheeler.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll bed, a big doll, dishes,
a dresser, a soft pillow, candy, ap-
ples and a cake.

Your friend,

Jo Ann Biskup.

Dear Santa Claus:

This year I want a Jack-in-the-
box, a box of water colors, two color
books, and a boys' bicycle.

Your friend,

John Morris Duncum.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a football, a bi-
cycle, a train, a wagon, a machine
gun, a pair of boots, a cowboy suit,
and a pair of skates.

Thank you,

Tommie Collins.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a football, some candy and
nuts. I want a cowboy suit, a pistol,
a bicycle and a toy truck.

With love,

Dale Wayne Rhodes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a baseball, a bat, an air-
gun, a football, and a pair of boots.
With love,

Claude Sanders.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a book
satchel, and a toy rifle? My brother
wants the same things.

Your friend,

Dickie Scott.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a pretty doll and
a small bicycle. Please send me a
stretch bracelet too. I want a box
of dishes. Please send me a doll
house and some doll clothes.

Thank you,

Nelwyn Pearl Heffington.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a machine gun. I
am a little boy. My friends are good.
I want a cowboy suit. I want a pair
of boots.

Thank you,

Wilbert Treadaway.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy in the second
grade and seven years old. I go to
Ada Henderson. My teacher's name
is Mrs. Starnes. I would like a gun
and holster. A drum and a bow and
arrow, apples, oranges, and nuts.

Your friend,

Clyde Wallace.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a pretty doll, a
bicycle, a stretch bracelet, and doll
house.

Thank you,

Renee Miller.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a doll, a buggy. I
want a ring, a bracelet. I want a
bicycle.

Thank you, I love you,

Gloria Ann Blake.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I want a doll
buggy. I want a bracelet. Please
send me a ring, doll house, dishes.
Betty Jane Sanders.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me an electric train,
a pair of skates, a football, a pair
of boots, and a small bicycle.

Thank you,

Bobby Witcher.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a base ball and bat. I want
a pair of boots.

Thank you,

Carol Ann Matula.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a ball, a raincoat,
a doll, a doll house, and bracelet.
Thank you,

Barbara Ann S.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a pair of boots, two guns
and two scabbards.
(Name was omitted. Santa Claus
will find you).

O. L. KIDD

LAW OFFICE

Henderson Building

CAMERON, TEXAS

December 20, 1945

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Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a winding train,
an airplane, a football, a base ball
and a bat. Thank you.

Edward W. Neeley.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a bracelet, a doll
and a pair of skates.

Thank you,

Joyce Edmonds.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a football, a BB
gun, a ball, a top and boots.

Your friend,

Ernest Cass.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, push cart, a doll
trunk and some candy and nuts.

Your friend,

Patsy Ann Bell.

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hope for you is that the New Year
will bring no problems you cannot
readily solve, and that all will be
smooth sailing.

May your mind be brighter, your
heart be lighter, and the road ahead
easier! This is our wish for you
this New Year of 1946.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL



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Peace returns to Earth

The roar of battle has died away upon Continents and the far outposts of the world. Peace has returned to Earth and the brave men who fought for and secured our Freedom are coming home.

A brave new world is in the making and with characteristic resolution the people of America are looking to the future.

The fight for Freedom is a conflict as old as conscious Man. Since we last greeted you on the occasion of Christmas to review the year which was then passing into history, we know our full measure of sacrifice. As 1945 draws to a close we are happy in the realization that we no longer have to continue the struggle.

During the years of War with their months of terrible toll in life and treasure, this old newspaper, wrought with the ever increasing devotion to the principles of Freedom and Liberty to preserve the Light which has ever been the Vigil of Free Men.

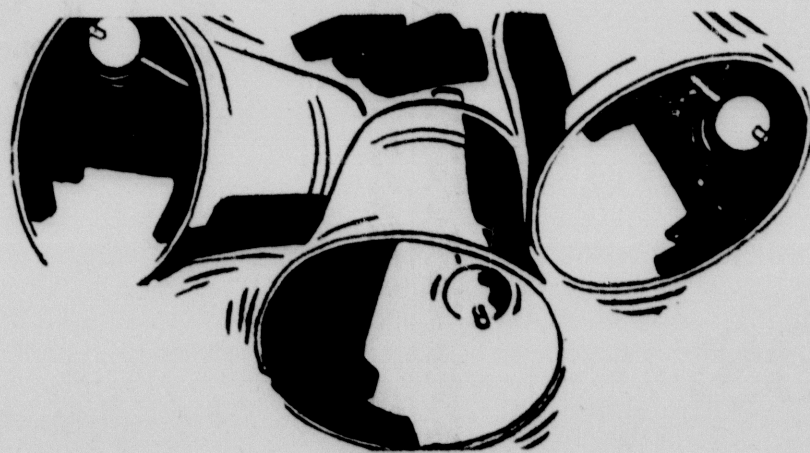
We like to think of The Herald as American as land and crops. The right to say and to think with independence is likewise as American as land and crops. The fight for Freedom goes on. Freedom to write, to speak, to believe and to worship. These have inspired publications with American integrity through the years.

Christmas for your Newspaper and those who print it is no different in meaning than to any other American business institution. Christmas brings an atmosphere in which we can best emphasize how grateful we are that we have so many friends and readers; that in the course of the year we have enjoyed our full share of your patronage and support.

American journalism is unique. To bring the news and to bring it truthfully, shorn of censorship, political or commercial, has always been and will continue to be the policy of The Herald.

Everything about The Herald is American; its personnel, its policy, its aims. We fight every day for Liberty and for Freedom to keep open the avenues of untrammelled expression that our people may know the Truth, for Truth makes men Free in the world.

For 86 years, far longer than any other newspaper in Milam county, The Herald has labored. If we have succeeded in the mission of Good Journalism in 1945, we shall have been compensated well for the sacrifices we have made. Your generous support tells us you like the kind of newspaper The Herald approximates each week. So we salute you again this Christmas, as always, and wish you a Prosperous New Year.



The Cameron Herald

MRS. B. HUNT WHITE, Associate Editor
EDNA MICHALKA

JEFFERSON B. WHITE, Editor and Publisher

CORNELIA CARLETON

TOM HOLMES, Plant Superintendent
MATT B. BAILEY

The Fir Tree Prays

Dear God, I am not wise, I'd rather be
For one bright day of shining ecstasy
A Christmas tree.
Than left forever on this quiet hill
With naught but starlight and sun to fulfill
My destiny.

I am not wise, Dear God, for I would wear
A thousand tapers lit to make me fair;
And in radiance bear
Rejoicing—one frail harvest of delight,
My robe of tinsel marvelously white,
Bright toys and glittering angels bending me
A Christmas tree.

Lord, God, forgiveness!—Yet I ask to be
This fragile thing of mortal revelry,
For merriment and laughing children's glee
To lose the gracious heritage I know,
The strength of winds, the gentle ways of snow,
Rain scent, and robins, and the stir of dawn,
Aeons of solemn loveliness foregone.
My birthright lost, please God—A Christmas tree
And only death for immortality.

Christmas Air

Every big London market has its own special characteristics. One of the most characteristic of all is Leaden-Hall market, because of its position and the essentially friendly and family air about it. During the Christmas season the air is positively festive.

Life is like this: The man who always advised his friends that every thing would turn out all right blew out his brains.

PLANE HITS POWER LINE

Wichita, Kans.—When Fred McConnell, veteran combat pilot, died from injuries received when his plane struck a high tension wire, he was the second of Wichita's three "Flying McConnells" to go. Thomas, the youngest, was killed in a crash in the South Pacific last July. All three brothers saw service in the South Pacific Theatre.

Who remembers when, and why, gasoline was rationed?

Beno Rabinoff Will Give Concert Here In Early January

Beno Rabinoff, noted concert violinist, will be back in Cameron in early January for another appearance before music lovers.

Cameron Rotary Club will again sponsor Rabinoff here. With him will be Miss Sylvia Smith, celebrated concert pianist and screen star, in music roles.

J. M. Boehner, President of Rotary announced to the membership Wednesday that the Board of Directors had engaged these artists for a return engagement in Cameron.

CHRISTMAS MEDLEY

Christmas was once abolished by an act of parliament in England. That was in 1644 when the Puritans under Oliver Cromwell governed the realm. The Puritans' disbelief in holiday enjoyments was so intense that parliament ordered Christmas to be observed as a strict fast day. No roast beef, no plum pudding, no was-sail were permitted.

Although turkey is the essential feature of Christmas dinner today, the bird was unknown in England in the 16th century. Introduced from America, it came into its present popularity in the early 1700s.

In several states of the Union there is a definite law forbidding anyone from interfering with a child's belief in Santa Claus.

Some European peoples have a superstition — dating from ancient times—that animals take on the power of speech at Christmas time.

Lewis Carroll wrote his famous book, "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," as a Christmas gift for a little girl who was the daughter of one of his friends.

Frankly, there is something absurd about an economy that pays prize fighters more money in a night than a teacher can earn in a lifetime.

TWENTY DOLLAR JOKE

Australia. — William Thompson found a kangaroo caught in his wire fence and, to amuse his children, he slipped his waistcoat on the animal. The kangaroo ran off to the hills and Thompson suddenly remembered that he had a five-pound note in his waistcoat pocket.

HIROHITO'S FORTUNE

Tokyo. — Emperor Hirohito's imperial household fortune amounts to slightly more than 106 million dollars.

Life springs its surprises upon unsuspecting victims, thus upsetting their ideas that they have the world by the tail on a downhill pull.



To You and Yours

How different this Christmas to those we have known since that fateful day, December 7, 1941. In strange lands, far away from home, millions of us looked up to find the Star but the warmth of Friend and Fireside were things about which we could only dream.

Christmas 1945 is different for most of us, still there are millions not yet returned from their posts of duty. It is of them we think now. Peace has come again to this world. Let us keep it ever thus.

As Christmas draws near and as 1945 draws to a close, we pause for a moment to think seriously of life, of what it means to us . . . of its joys and of its sorrows.

One of the great joys of life, as we see it, is its friendships. A true friend is a valued possession.

What is true to our personal lives is also true of our business lives. We like to feel that there is a spirit of friendship underlying each business transaction.

We like to think of our customers as our friends. We like to value our business friendships as we value our personal friendships.

As an expression, therefore, of our genuine appreciation of your friendship and all that it has meant to us, we wish you and those whom you love, a joyful Christmas Season and a New Year brim full of good things.

To Our Friends at
CHRISTMAS
1945

A GOOD WAY to keep Christmas well is to bring joy to everyone we can. This, we believe, is the spirit of this community . . . one of the important reasons why living here affords such genuine pleasure.

To you who have stood by us so faithfully during the year 1945 we wish a whole world of happiness pressed into this Christmas season. Merry Christmas to you and to every member of your family.

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DDT Is a Boon And Boomerang

**Kills Not Only Mosquitoes,
Flies, but Birds and
Fish, Tests Show.**

CHICAGO. — DDT, the war-developed insecticide, is proving to be both a boon and a boomerang, says the Associated Press.

It is killing mosquitoes and flies, but it is killing birds and fish, too. These intended and unintended results are being noted in tests now underway in forest, farm and marsh areas around the country, tests which make it clear that DDT must be used with great care.

A progress report on current experiments was obtained in an interview with Dr. Clarence Cottam, chief of the division of wildlife research of the interior department's fish and wildlife service.

"DDT is effective against most types of insects," he said. "It is highly effective against flies and mosquitoes. Where properly used, it also will have great value in the control of field insects."

Hits Fish and Birds.

"But it will kill a lot of things we don't want killed. Our studies show that five pounds per acre in a forest will either kill birds or drive them out. More than one-half pound per acre is damaging to fish, turtles and frogs. DDT is effective against bees."

"It kills beneficial insects as well as obnoxious insects. Therefore, it should be used with understanding, intelligence and caution. DDT has great potential use, but it will be a boon only if properly used. If used in excess, it will be like scalping to cure dandruff. It will do more harm than good."

During the war scientists watched the chemical used in checking typhus at Naples and to destroy disease-carrying flies, mosquitoes and lice in other war zones. They too figured that it could be harmful as well as helpful if handled indiscriminately.

Last spring the fish and wildlife service joined in experiments designed to determine the smallest amounts of DDT that could be used effectively against pests without destroying desirable or economically important forms of life.

Shown by Tests.
The Patuxent wildlife research refuge in Maryland, a 2,600-acre reservation, became one of the proving grounds.

An airplane strewed the compound over a 117-acre tract there on the basis of two pounds per acre. The drifting spray killed fish in pits 150 to 200 yards away from the test area.

Dr. Cottam reported that DDT can control certain forest insects but it also eliminates insects on which birds feed. The department of agriculture's bureau of entomology, he added, recommends that the insecticide be used on a small scale in wooded sectors and be restricted in such cases to no more than a half pound per acre. Preliminary observations, he said, indicated that it is effective against mosquitoes in doses as small as one-tenth of a pound per acre.

Still without answers are these questions:

When the chemical remains in water, will it have a cumulative effect on such delicacies as ducks, oysters, clams and crabs?

What effect will it have in agricultural districts on necessary soil bacteria?

Casualties of War Rise To Total of 1,070,819

WASHINGTON. — With reports still to come in, combat casualties of the war announced by the armed forces have now reached 1,070,819.

The army recently reported its casualties, as received here through August 21, as 923,481. The latest navy report was 147,338.

The aggregate represented an increase of 681 since the last report. Navy casualties actually declined by 43 as a result of revisions and shifts in the wounded, missing and prisoner of war classifications.

The services will continue to announce casualty figures until the final reports have been received.

A breakdown on army casualties and corresponding figures for the last report follow:

Killed 199,656 and 199,183; wounded 571,179 and 570,997; missing 33,543 and 33,653; prisoners 119,103 and 118,924.

The decline in the number of missing resulted from transfers to other categories. The war department said that 357,414 of the wounded have returned to duty and 96,521 of the prisoners have been exchanged or returned to military control.

Similar figures for the navy:
Killed 53,229 and 52,963; wounded 80,039 and 80,171; missing 10,426 and 10,553; prisoners 3,644 and 3,694.

20 Billion Spent by

Army for Supplies

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The army spent \$20,564,586,000 from the start of the war until August 1 for clothing, general supplies and subsistence. Clothing costs were \$5,182,402,000; equipage, \$2,724,670,000; general supplies, \$1,655,605,000; materials for handling equipment, \$341,220,000; subsistence, \$10,660,707,000.

We recall the lamented famine of plenty, when nobody had money, and now everybody has money and little to buy.

Never believe what your admiring and designing, friends say about you but pay close attention to the remarks of your enemies. There's profit in it.

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A BLANKET of snow on the roof, a peace and stillness and warmth and firelight, the lovely litter of Christmas on the living room floor. Certainly there's a Santa Claus, and as we wish you a Merry Christmas we add this wish for good measure: May good old St. Nicholas come laden, this Christmas of 1945, with more of the good things of life for you than you have ever before enjoyed.

**GEO. McGEHEE
SERVICE STATION**

PHONE 52

That Good Gulf Gasoline



TOWERING ABOVE A CARE-BOUND WORLD IS THE CAREFREE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS. INDEPENDENT OF TIME, INDEPENDENT OF PLACE, INDEPENDENT OF CIRCUMSTANCE, IT EMBRACES ALL. NONE CAN ESCAPE ITS MAGIC SPELL.

FOR YOUR MANY EVIDENCES OF GOOD WILL IN 1945 WE SINCERELY THANK YOU.

**J. R. HAYS
POSTMASTER**

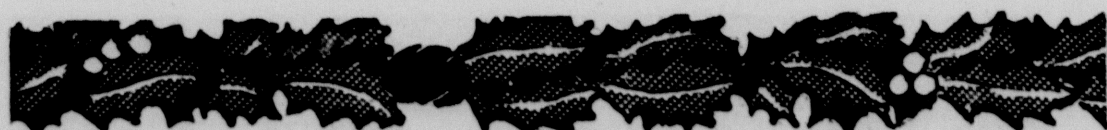


This year we will celebrate New Year happy in the knowledge that one more year has been added to our long record of service to the people of this community.

Tooting our own horn a bit, you say? Well, yes, if you insist, but we just wanted to remind you.

Have a good time, enjoy the holiday to the utmost, and—a very Happy New Year to you!

**MAREK-BURNS
FUNERAL HOME
and BURIAL ASSOCIATION**

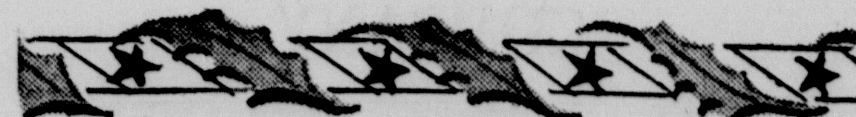


To each of us the word Christmas summons many happy memories. To some it recalls a ride over the frozen countryside to grandma's, sleigh-bells tinkling all the while. To others it recalls happy reunions in mirth-filled living rooms, gay banquets and glowing Christmas trees. But to all it recalls days of charm and endearment, the happiest days of our lives.

May you know this happiness in all its fullness once again, dear friends, this Christmas season of 1945.

**Horned Frog
Service Station**

PHONE 102



Seven Million Idle Predicted

**Mass Unemployment Is Sure
To Come; Won't Last,
Say Economists.**

WASHINGTON. — Prospects of 7,000,000 unemployed by Christmas are seen by government officials helping supervise the return of American industry to a peacetime basis.

These leading federal economists say temporary mass unemployment is sure to come regardless of anything industry can do. If this mass unemployment is only temporary, they say, "It will not be alarming."

Alike in their views although representing separate agencies, these economists — anonymous at their own request — said unemployment might rise to 8,000,000 or 9,000,000 next year unless the government moves to prevent such an increase. (The number hunting jobs now has been estimated at 1,400,000; it stood at 13,000,000 in 1932, low point of the depression.)

The economists said that unemployment should begin shrinking late in 1946 or early 1947. They emphasized, however, that no one can estimate the extent of the shrinkage.

Sees Pay Increases.

The nation's reconversion scene included these developments:

1. It was learned that John W. Snyder, director of war mobilization and reconversion, is preparing a general statement on reconversion policy. This statement will set the pace for an expected flurry of other pronouncements from federal agencies on their roles.

2. Dr. George W. Taylor, chairman of the War Labor board, said he thinks there will be "no rash of strikes" after victory over Japan.

3. Officials said wage controls might be eased somewhat in the near future but that no radical revision of the Little Steel wage formula is likely. They said employers and workers might be permitted to negotiate wage increases in cases where the adjustments wouldn't lead to price rises. The Little Steel formula holds basic wage rates to 15 per cent above January, 1941, levels.

4. War agencies continued to relax restrictions a little at a time. Used truck tires were removed from rationing. So were moccasin type house slippers, even though they may have light leather soles.

Few Strikes, View.

Taylor voiced his "no rash strikes" prediction in an interview after a visit to the White House. "It took a big nation of big people to accomplish what we have in this war," the WLB chairman declared. "I can't think that we will change over night."

"There probably will be some strikes. There probably will be some workers who think their union is being threatened, or some employer who thinks he has an unbearable problem — but I am confident there will be no wave or rash of strikes."

Amplifying their predictions concerning unemployment, the government economists presented this general outlook:

Within two months after V-J Day, 5,000,000 munitions workers will lose their jobs. Many of those won't be classified as "unemployed" because they won't be looking for other jobs. Also, many quickly will get other jobs.

On the other hand, when 5,000,000 workers in munitions plants are out, a large number of other workers will be out, too, because of "secondary effects." For example, people working in restaurants near the closed plants.

The armed forces will step up their discharges and veterans will pour back to the American scene.

It will take some time for most war plants to get ready for peacetime production. Although many civilian jobs are open, the released war workers are not always in the right place to take them, and transportation troubles won't clear up right away.

War Department Warns

Secrecy on Bomb Stays

WASHINGTON.—The war department warned that cessation of hostilities with Japan will not alter security limitations on release of information on the atomic bomb.

"All individuals, groups and organizations connected with the Manhattan Project will continue to comply with present security regulations," the war department said.

"Loose talk and idle speculation, particularly by individuals now or formerly connected with the project, jeopardize the future of the nation. It is the duty of every citizen, in the interest of national safety, to keep all discussion of this subject within the limits of information disclosed in official releases."

Dakota Prairies Yield

Ancient Arrowheads

VERMILION, S. D.—The Folsom man, earliest known inhabitant of North America, may have lived or hunted on the Dakota prairie land. Folsom points—an easily distinguishable arrowhead — have been found in several parts of the state, Dr. W. H. Over, director of the University of South Dakota museum, has revealed. One perfect specimen and five fragments are on display in the museum.



Greetings at Christmastide

When Snow Lies Softly on the Hill

Now, when the fir trees wear white collars, when the birds make tiny stitches in the snow and our footprints hurry towards the warmth of home and the companionship of loved ones, it's time to wish all our friends the fullest joys of the Christmas season. So, hello everybody . . . and Merry Christmas!

Southern Medical Hospital Service

MRS. AGNES LOWE, Representative



A very happy
CHRISTMAS



CHRISTMAS
IS THE TIME
for friendliness, for the
open house and the
open heart

It is the time, too, for
us to greet our friends,
to thank them for their
consideration of us,
and to wish them all a
very Happy Christmas.

Bredt Feed & Produce Co.



Christmas Is All of These

Christmas is the good will shared at the family hearth; the carol sung together; the candle in the window, the glowing faces gathered around the festive board. And it is much more — ever so much more!

We cannot begin to put into words all that Christmas is, nor begin to express how ardently we wish for you the complete enjoyment of Christmas. So, all we can say to you, kind friends, is Merry Christmas To You.

WILLIAMS THE PLUMBER



1946 · WELCOME

NEW YEAR'S IS MORE THAN A DAY!

It is the spirit of men and women who throw off the impediments of yesterday and determine to make a better start for today.

As we enter the year 1946 we raise a toast to our many good friends, with the hope that each succeeding day may bring you nearer to coveted goals.

Happy New Year to you!

FAIRMONT CREAMERY CO.

Oboe Radar Guided Pilot to Target

*It Even Told Him Just When
To Drop His Bombs.*

AN RAF BOMBER BASE, ENGLAND. — The British air ministry has made known the workings of a highly effective form of radar called "oboe," which led bombers to targets in Germany on beams sent out from ground stations in England, and even told bombardiers when to release bombs.

These stations, it was disclosed, were able to "watch" planes along the entire route, in fog, storm, or darkness, and were a major factor in blasting Hitler's war plants.

If the Krupp armament works at Essen was the target, a radar beam 17 feet wide would be aimed at the city from a ground station near Dover. That is believed to be one reason for so much German cross-channel shelling of Dover. The beam would hit Essen right over the Krupp works, just like an imaginary wire rope hanging in the sky.

Bombers would take off and make a beeline for Essen. Wherever they intercepted the beam, automatic signals would start flashing and coded dots and dashes begin coming over the earphones. All a pilot had to do was turn squarely onto the beam and follow it to the target.

When he reached a certain point, so many seconds from the assigned target, he received a coded "release bombs" signal from the ground operator back in England.

When the pilot returned he could see his bomb run recorded in black and white on a graph made by an electrical instrument similar to weather graphing machines.

Airmen say "oboe" gives them virtually automatic accuracy to within eight yards of the smallest target.

American 8th and 9th air forces adopted much of the RAF radar technique and developed some new methods of their own.

The Germans had a radar system but always lagged behind the Allies in new developments, and were never able to solve the mystery of how to counteract it for defensive purposes.

Asks to Allow Atomic

Rocket Service to Moon

CHICAGO. — R. L. Farnsworth asked the government to grant him the first civilian permit to put atomic energy to peacetime use. He wants to develop a solar transportation system providing regular eight-hour flights to the moon.

Mr. Farnsworth, president of the U. S. Rocket society, wrote a letter to the research council on national security at Washington asking for permission to use atomic energy to make a rocket in which earth dwellers could travel through the universe at a rate of seven miles per second.

"The discovery of atomic power means that rocketeers who have been shooting at the moon can raise their sights to the planets beyond," he said, in an interview. "It means that some day there will be a regular rocket service to the moon and other planets."

"I want to see a solar transportation system that would make the man in the moon our next-door neighbor."

Visualizing the moon as the Chicago of the universe — a shuttle station for rocket service to points beyond — Mr. Farnsworth said atomic power can solve most of the problems that have vexed his fellow rocketeers.

His principal difficulty, he said, would be in harnessing atomic power.

Plans for \$200,000,000

Hospitals' Growth Given

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Plans for a \$200,000,000 hospital construction program to meet all anticipated veterans' requirements were made public recently by the veterans' administration. The two-year program is now before the federal board of hospitalization for approval. It calls for building 40 new hospitals and for additions to many existing institutions.

Officials said that if the plans were endorsed by the board and funds were appropriated by congress, the administration would have hospitals with a total bed capacity of 300,000 at the end of the 1947 fiscal year. "We believe that will be enough for all our needs," one official said.

The bed capacity of present veterans' hospitals and those which are under construction or authorized, is 123,931. The new program would add approximately 29,000 beds.

The remaining hospitals necessary to bring the total capacity to the 300,000 bed mark are expected to be transferred to the administration by the army and navy as their own needs diminish.

Magnesium Is Smelted

Direct Under New Method

WASHINGTON. — Magnesium, the light metal that has revolutionized airplane construction since the beginning of the war, can be smelted directly out of magnesium-silicate ores by a new process. U. S. Patent No. 2,379,576 has just been issued here to Dr. Fritz J. Hansgirk.

Dr. Hansgirk is at present carrying on his magnesium research at Black Mountain college, in North Carolina.

NEW YEARS AT WHITE HOUSE

Since the White House was not completed during our first President's lifetime, the John Adamses were the first presidential family to occupy it. The first drawing room of New Year's reception was held in the "President's palace," as it was then referred to, on New Year's day, 1801.

Miracle Plays Still Held

Among more tradition-observing communities of the world, old-time miracle plays are still performed, often in the form of elaborate dances, in solemn, but lavish, setting against the colorful background of tropical foliage.

From Europe's Christmas Menu

Take your choice of Christmas eats: Plum pudding in England, Pfefferkuesse in Germany, Verknack in Denmark, Fatgman's Bakels in Norway, Horse-shoe cake in Hungary, Speculaas in Holland, and Lutefisk in Sweden.

REFUSED TO PAY

Salt Lake City. — Myron A. Oliver, who was discharged in October after five and a half years in the Army, reenlisted again as a master sergeant rather than pay an initiation fee of \$50 to the AFL because of his promotion at the sheet metal shop where he worked.

Holiday Garnish for Salads

Cranberry jelly sliced and cut into fancy shapes with a cookie cutter or a knife makes an attractive and unusual garnish for salads and desserts during the holiday season.

O. L. KIDD

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Henderson Building

CAMERON, TEXAS

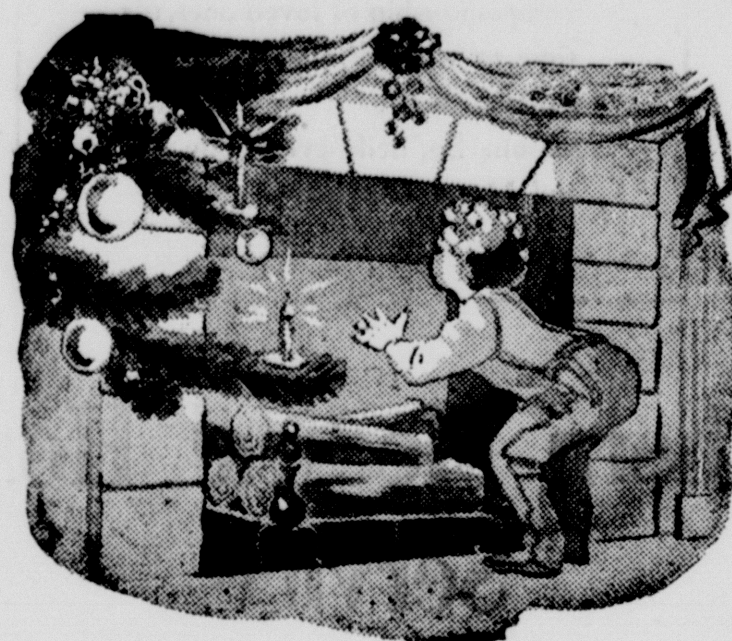


Merry Christmas, too

"Glorious the year that for you waits,
Beyond Tomorrow's mystic gates"

... a year relieved of the tensions and worries that have marked the past few twelve-months ... a year in which you will know again the unfettered freedom and the "will to do" of the good old days—that is our wish for you as we are about to enter 1946. May it be, indeed, a glorious year for you.

WEEMS GIN



To Our Friends

It is Christmas time again ... the time of the year when most of us are inclined to forget the urge of the world and think seriously of the beauties of life and the things which make life more worth living.

One of the most beautiful things in life, as we see it, is the spirit of friendship which underlies our relations with each other. Without friends, life would indeed be an empty shell.

As in our personal lives, so is it also in our business lives. With an understanding such as

is born of true friendship, our relations with our fellow men tend to become warm and cordial.

And so at this time we want to tell you that we have appreciated your friendship for us, your confidence in us, your loyalty to us.

In token of our genuine appreciation of your friendship, we extend to you our sincere wish that you and those who are near and dear to you may enjoy a truly Happy Christmas Season and a most Prosperous New Year.



NEWTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL CAMERON

LET CHRISTMAS RENEW HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

Open your hearts and minds to the spirit and sincerity of Christmas Greetings, both between intimates and our outside friends. Forget present difficulties and live again the Christmas of innocent and better days. Let it renew hope for the future, with a resolve that the best impulses of our nature shall assist the character building of the real lesson of the Christmas season.

TWILIGHT ROMANCE

Hokab, Minn.—Solomon Shawley, 89, and his 74-year-old bride are setting up housekeeping here after a honeymoon in Ohio and Indiana. Mrs. Shawley has eight living children while her husband has only four living of his original twelve.

The spread of religion is often handicapped by the ignorance of those who think they have it in excessive quantities.

Some people try to attract attention by nastiness which merely shows what kind of people they are.

WATCH NIGHT

On New Year's eve midnight masses and watch night services are held everywhere, while those less inclined to religious observances make the closing minutes of the year an occasion of jollity.

Baffling Problem

The proper celebration of Christmas has been improved, but there still is the problem of getting a six-foot Christmas tree home in an overcoat pocket.

It won't be long now before there will be a vociferous demand to reduce the Army and Navy below safety levels in order to save money. The campaign will be supported by business men who want taxes reduced and by sapheads who have no idea what they want.

Italian Christmas Industry

Naples was the center of the Italian Christmas industry during the Fifteenth century and had whole bands of artists, "figurari" as they were called, who did nothing but make dolls for Christmas.

PLAN CHRISTMAS DINNER

Plan to prepare as much of the meal as possible on the day prior to Christmas so that the housewife can enjoy the day with her family.

IN ENGLAND'S WASSAIL BOWLS

Brewed in England's Yuletide wassail bowls are baked apples, hot ale seasoned with spice, orange juice and rind and whipped eggs.

Getting a Shoeful in Holland

Not on reindeer but on a white horse, St. Nicholas arrives in some parts of Holland, and instead of looking for stockings he searches for wooden shoes to fill them with gifts.

The loudest lamentations of the century will arise from business and industry when the government gets out of business, cutting out subsidies, legislative favors and regulations protecting monopolies.

Winter wouldn't be so bad if it didn't permit the Spring poets an opportunity to write their stuff.

A racketeer is a man who cashes in on the ignorance, prejudice or superstition of others.

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★ Stealing over the countryside is the blessed peacefulness of Christmastime. The very air seems charged with it. Even the birds—what few remain—appear to share in the general rejoicing that has come over the world.

We earnestly hope that this Christmas season of 1945 will bestow unusual blessings upon you and yours . . . that it will bring to your home the soft glow that even Christmas tree lights cannot bequeath—the full joy of Christmas seasons long past but forever remembered. May such a Christmas be yours!



That best part of a good man's life—
His little, nameless unremembered acts
Of kindness and of love.

—WILLIAM WORDSWORTH

Christmas is the season of the open heart and the open door. Let none stand out in the cold or be unremembered.

In this community of good fellows, where each helps share the other's happiness and all do their part towards making the Christmas season enjoyable for each and everyone, it is a privilege to be in a position to serve you. We take great pleasure in wishing you a Merry Christmas.



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Phone 180

Lester Grain Company & Ice Station



'Proclaim liberty throughout the world, unto all the inhabitants thereof.'

In this land of free men the merry tumult of New Year's is a traditional part of our national life. It does us all good to give the New Year a rousing welcome.

More power to New Year's and the principles of freedom upon which it rests. And more power to you, dear friends, every day of 1946! It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have served you, and we stand pledged to serve you still better in the year to come.

L. Van Perkins

INSURANCE

TAX SERVICE

Detective Uses Laundry Marks to Identify Crooks

In Eight Years He Has Built Up a Bureau Containing File of 300 Cases.

NEW YORK. — Adam Yulch, whose system of identifying criminals by laundry marks, had a perfect batting average in 1944, doesn't look like a man you'd expect to find mixed up in crime, says an Associated Press writer.

He can identify most murder or amnesia victims within 24 hours. Since he established the first laundry mark filing bureau eight years ago, no defense attorney ever has challenged his evidence in cross-examination. A lieutenant on the Nassau county police force, he likes to call himself "consultant for the entire nation's law enforcement agencies and that includes the FBI."

Adam, who is 50, joined the police force of Nassau county 30 years ago. It was in 1936, while he was on the detective division, that he became aware of the potentialities of laundry marks. Three bandits in a stolen car had made a haul of \$10,500, abandoned the car and escaped. In the car was a suit of clothes with a cleaner's mark.

"Then," says Adam, "yours truly was called in and given the suit of clothes with: 'Find the man who cleaned this suit. I don't care how long it takes or how expensive it is, but don't come back until you've found him.'"

Searched for Three Months.

For three months Adam canvassed cleaning establishments in metropolitan area. New York City alone has 11,000. Says Adam, "I don't know how many pairs of shoes I wore out." Then one day up in Westchester, "to my surprise and I almost done a backflip, a cleaner says 'yes, that's my mark.'"

All three bandits were caught and convicted.

Criminals had been detected by laundry marks since 1883, but detection was haphazard and tedious because not even the FBI had a laundry mark file. Adam proposed to start one.

He told his commanding officer, Inspector Henry R. King, what he had learned. Every cleaner's mark has an indicator, a route designation and a customer's designation. By collecting sample marks and filing them, Adam thought he could find the proper cleaner. From the route and customer's marks, the cleaner could tell the name of the person in question.

Many cleaners use the same indicator but, with the selection narrowed by locality, Adam maintained he could pick the right cleaner "because no two marks are alike." Some cleaners use indelible pencil, some ink, some print, some write, some use a stamping machine.

"Inspector King gave me the green light," says Adam, and he started out. Within a few months his first murder case turned up. The body of a man who had been chained to a tree, his clothing saturated with gasoline and set afire, was found on New Jersey's Palisades along the Hudson river.

Call in Yulch.

No one could identify the victim. Yulch was called in. He carefully sifted charred cloth. With a magnifying glass he found the smudge of a cleaner's mark. Since most cleaner's ink is indelible, Adam took a chance on moistening it. The number came through.

Within two hours he was in a tailor shop in the Bronx. The tailor got out his books, turned to the proper page, then became hysterical. The mark was that of his father-in-law. A dentist's examination clinched the identification.

West coast states and the FBI began to consult Adam. He identified amnesia victims, he caught OPA violators, he identified a drowned man whose body had been in the water four years.

He caught a counterfeiter who had deemed himself safe for two years. The man had left his kit of tools and a pair of trousers in an automatic locker at a train station. If not taken out in 24 hours, the parcels are stored by the station for two years, then opened. Thirty minutes after he received the trousers, Adam identified their owner. Three hours later the man was under arrest.

Adam added institutional laundry marks to his files. His samples approached the 300,000 mark.

Risks His Life to Save

Kids From Falling Plane
SIGNAL HILL, CALIF. — Lt. Herman A. Albertini, 23, of Stanton, Ill., combat flier returned from Europe, recently was credited with risking his life to avoid hitting children in the path of his disabled Thunderbolt fighter plane.

The plane, its engine smoking, cut a telephone pole in two, sheared through telephone and power lines and ripped off the roof of a warehouse before crashlanding.

Police said the plane was barely 100 feet high when onlookers saw the pilot leaning out, waving frantically at children to get out of his way.

The plane burst into flames and was destroyed, but Albertini walked away with only bruises and scratches. He is serving with the 6th ferrying group of the air transport command in Long Beach, Calif.

Commission Uses Gavel Made From Historic Log

CHARLESTON, W. VA.—Meetings of the West Virginia conservation commission are called to order with a gavel made from one of the original logs in historic Fort Ashby, in Mineral county.

The gavel was a gift from the Potomac Valley chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, of Keyser, W. Va. It was made from a piece cut from a 45-foot white oak log in the old fort.

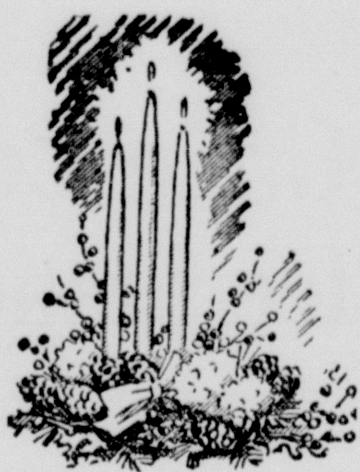
Fort Ashby was built in 1755 in a community which was settled in 1735. It is the only standing unit in a chain of fortifications constructed by George Washington along the Virginia frontier for the protection of early settlers from the Indians.

French Arrest Spies

Who Assist Germans

PARIS. — Police officials and the ministry of the interior said that spies and would-be terrorists are operating in France on behalf of escaped Nazis. They work under orders of various groups alleged to have established headquarters in Spain. More than 10,000 agents have been arrested.

The world is plagued with people who can always tell you why you ought to do what they want you to do.



CHRISTMAS 1945.

a friendly day in which to dream, as well as make Merry . . . a day when "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" will assume a greater meaning.

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Department
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HENRY LIPPMAN
Owner

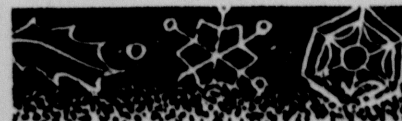


Listen!

Hear that horn! Hear that excitement in the air, that laughter! It's Christmas, neighbor, the most hopeful Christmas in years!

Imbued with this buoyant spirit of hope we express our wish for a genuine Merry Christmas to all our friends and patrons.

Milam County
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Around the corner of the street
Who can say what waits for us?
—James Whitcomb Riley.



And who can say what the New Year 1946 will bring? All we can do, of course, is hope for the best, and our hopes are for you, dear people of this community. It is in full appreciation of all the fine things you have done for us that we send you these Happy New Year greetings.

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1945 SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS 1945

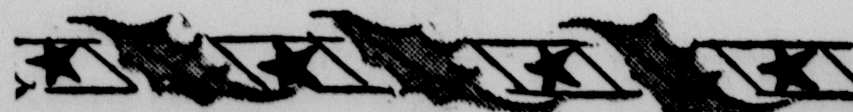
OUR FOREFATHERS

celebrated Christmas sometimes under the greatest of difficulties, to say nothing of danger. Today, in warm, lighted homes we welcome the arrival of Yuletide, without thought of those early hardships. It might make our Christmas a little happier, our hearts a little more thankful, to take thought of these things.

In the reverent spirit of this glorious season we now wish each and every one of you the deep joys which only Christmas can bring.

HOUSTON
SERVICE STATION

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HEALTH·HAPPINESS·PROSPERITY

When Grandpa Was a Boy

he spent most of a Saturday going to town and back in a buggy. We can pretty nearly span the continent in that time now.

The horse and buggy are gone; the rail fence is gone, but human nature is still much the same. In these days, as in those, friendships count in business.

We are proud of our long list of friends on this New Year of 1946—a list that has been growing steadily with the years—and want to express this word of thanks as we send you our New Year greetings.



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ANOTHER DAY... ANOTHER YEAR!

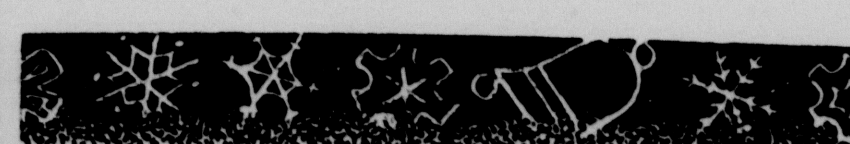
For the day, all the joy and gladness that the New Year holiday can possibly bring. For the year, all the blessings that can be treasured up for you in 365 golden days.

Come in and see us so we can wish you a HAPPY NEW YEAR with a friendly shake of the hand.



City Cafe

Mondrick Building Santa Fe Town



Yule Wreaths Easy To Make; Substitutes For Wire Plentiful

This year, the home wreath maker can use a bit of ingenuity and concoct perhaps handsomer wreaths than ever.

Wire is scarce, so unless last year's wire frame was saved, a substitute will be needed. Some people twist two or more small, tough switches from hazel, maple or dogwood. They use this, bound with moss, as a base for the holly or evergreen wreath.

A wire coat hanger, bent to circular shapes, is good for a wreath, and has the merit of being universally obtainable.

The evergreens or holly to be used for making the wreath should be cut into short lengths, longer for a large wreath, shorter for one of small diameter, but about six inches the general length.

The short sections are gathered into little bunches and wired onto the wire foundation. Strong green cord can be used to fasten them on, to, wrapping it over and over around the frame. Small wire is better if obtainable.

Another way of making a wreath is to wire each small bunch of the greens onto a taathpick, thie stick these into the moss-covered framework. But for this method there

must be a framework an inch or two broad instead of a single wire circle.

Holly, spruce, Douglas fir, cedar and many of the ornamental nursery varieties of evergreens may be used to make the wreath.

25,000 Mice Had Role In Atomic Bomb Project

BAR HARBOR, MAINE. — More than 25,000 Maine-grown mice were part of the Manhattan project which developed the atomic bomb, it was disclosed here.

Dr. Clarence C. Little, president and director of the Roscoe B. Jackson Memorial laboratory, a cancer research organization which raises mice for medical experimentation, told the annual meeting of the laboratory that the war department received a large share of the 312,844 mice shipped from the laboratory in the last year.

Between 25,000 and 30,000 went to Manhattan project, he said, to determine if irradiation from the elements used in manufacture of the bomb would have any effects upon workers in the atomic bomb plants.

The army still is continuing experiments with the mice, Dr. Little said, to determine if irradiation would effect either the mice exposed to it or their descendants. The final report on the experiments, he said, will not be made for a long time.

Pole Predicts That Few Will Shun Homeland

LONDON, ENGLAND.—Jan Stanczyk, Polish minister for social welfare, predicted recently that fewer than 500 of the more than 1,000,000 Poles stranded in Europe would refuse to return to their homeland. Stanczyk is a member of the Polish delegation to the United Nations relief and rehabilitation administration, which is responsible for the care and repatriation of displaced persons. Poles constitute the largest category of Europeans who were uprooted by the war.

Modern Students Found To Be War-Conscious

ROCKFORD, ILL. — It was a consensus of 2,000 Illinois teachers in convention here recently that the war had its effects on school children, but as to what these effects were there was much difference of opinion.

It was generally agreed by the "schoolmarm" that today's children, compared to those of 27 years ago, are more aware of their war obligations.

Americanism: The quaint idea that a man in the U. S. uniform is invariably a Sir Galahad in foreign countries, regardless of what he was in his home town.

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AS the light of Christmas again brightens our faces and lightens our hearts, we turn our thoughts from ourselves to help others. For this is the spirit that first saw the light of day in a stable at Bethlehem, two thousand years ago, and which has endured ever since.

May God bless and protect you and your dear ones and bring happiness to your home this Christmas season.

Retail Merchants Association

DELPHYA SCOTT, Secretary



★ Liberty has come down a long, hard and winding road since the Minute Man of Revolutionary times pledged his life to guard it, but the torch of liberty still burns brightly in this broad land of ours.

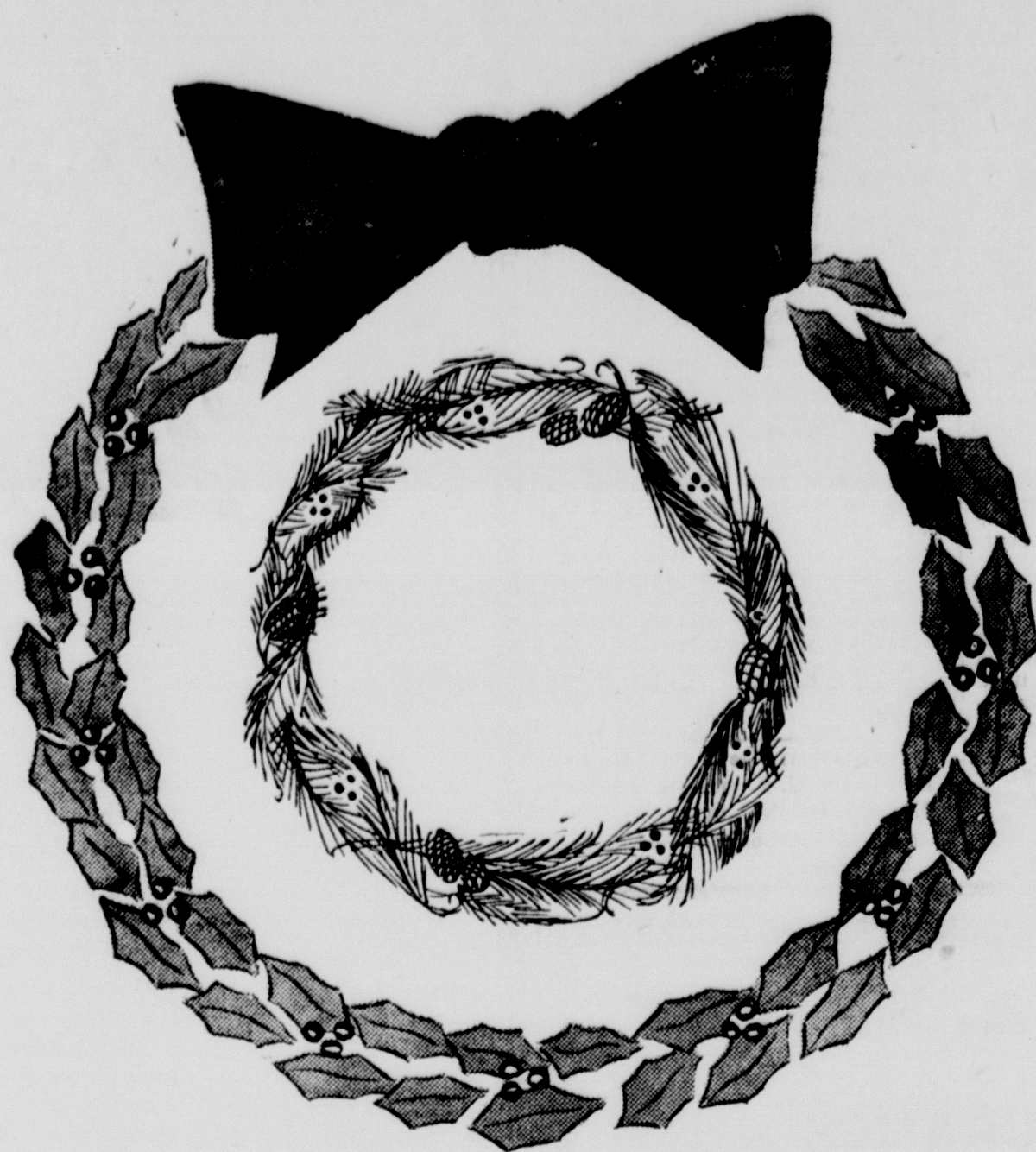
As we enter upon the New Year 1946 we wish for all our friends the manifold blessings which can only be enjoyed by free men. May this little greeting form another link in our friendship—a friendship upon which we have so firmly relied in the past and to which we look forward so hopefully now.

CAPERTON'S 5c and 10c Stores



NEW YEAR 1946 will put on his show at the midnight hour, as always in the past. As the show-boat disappears round the bend in the river and we get back into the old routine we hope for you that there was more to it than the fleeting joys of the New Year holiday, that "something has been added"—something of permanent stature—and that 1946 will really make a big difference to you.

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THIS IS FOR YOU AND OUR FRIENDS through the years

For more than a Half Century — fifty-six years in fact, at Christmas Time, we have published our message of appreciation for all our friends through the years.

It has been a pleasure that comes to few in business, for 56 years are a long time. Keeping faith has been mutual. It is through your confidence that we have achieved this long record of service and now at Christmas 1945, with another year written into history, the long and costly war won and Peace again has come to Earth, we find the same reasons are dominant, to thank you and to pledge the Faith which has so completely made us a part of your confidence in every day business relations.

The years are the pages of The Book which some call The Record. If it be Record of Memory, it still records a colorful pageant of mutual helpfulness through time. We recall, one by one, all those whose loyalties have inspired in us the desire to give the utmost in service and to think in terms of mutual progress and achievement.

Friends and Mutual Understanding are surely the elements of success as we engage in the ever increasing

difficulties of modern business. If we should measure our success in terms of dollar value, it would surely give cause for great pride, for this bank has grown daily in financial strength. Rather do we think now of friends and Human Values that make for Confidence; the things that build structures time nor the changing fortunes can not tear down.

Faith in us and Faith in each other are vital now. War has touched us in that sense of battle sacrifice and laid its blight on millions in other lands. We reflect now upon the heavy price we paid. There is abundant reason for Happiness when we think of others and Christmas is a time when we all think of others.

We will play our part in the future along with you to make our community a better place in which to live by giving you and others the advantages of a good bank, the kind of bank that comprehends the varied needs of your personal life and business.

May yours be a Happy Christmas and the New Year give us the pleasure of your continued Confidence and Patronage.

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